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COLONY TO LOSE ITS GOVERNOR

Hong Kong's ambition to retain Sir Andrew Caldecott as Governor of the Colony is not to be satisfied.

An official communique issued by the Colonial Secretariat this afternoon, gives the text of a telegram received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies as follows:

"I have received telegram (1) from Unofficial Members of Executive Council, Hong Kong, and (2) from Chinese Members of Executive and Legislative Councils pressing strongly for your retention at Hong Kong on the ground of outstanding qualifications for the post and asking that the question of your transfer may be reconsidered.

"Please inform these gentlemen that I have read with pleasure their tribute to yourself and have every sympathy with their desire that your services should not be lost to Hong Kong, but that your appointment to Ceylon was decided upon for reasons of high public policy and that I regret there can be no question of its reconsideration."

NEW PLOT AGAINST STALIN'S LIFE

TWO ARRESTS MADE WITHIN THE KREMLIN REVEALED
TIME-BOMB IN STUDY

THE NUMEROUS PLOTS TO KILL JOSEF STALIN, THE SOVIET DICTATOR, HAVE NOT CEASED. THE LATEST EFFORT TO DO AWAY WITH RUSSIA'S MAN OF IRON WAS DISCOVERED IN THE KREMLIN ITSELF, AND STALIN IS NOW FORCED TO CHANGE HIS WORKING HOURS AND OFFICE EVERY DAY, ONLY THE MOST INTIMATE OF HIS ENTOURAGE BEING AWARE OF HIS WHEREABOUTS.

The correspondent in Moscow of the German newspaper "Angriff" is the man who has revealed this fresh internal upheaval to the outside world, according to a despatch from Berlin through Trans-Ocean.

The correspondent reports that last Friday two electricians were surprised by Stalin's bodyguards when in the act of fixing a time-bomb in a room next to the Dictator's study in the Kremlin.

Lev Shapiro, a member of the special body of troops attached to the Kremlin and generally regarded as the Dictator's "shadow," has as a result been awarded with the highest Soviet decoration, the Order of the Red Star, which was presented to him by the Executive Committee on Tuesday.

A decree issued by the Com-munist Party, the Dictator's life. The political consequences of a successful attempt on Stalin's life would be sensational and the activities of the G.P.U., the dreaded Soviet secret police, have been redoubled in the past few days.

MANY "CHILLED"
Hundreds all over Russia have been rounded up and put through a strict cross-examination, in

THREE DIE WHEN LORRY MOUNTS PAVEMENT

SHOCKING MISHAP IN QUEEN'S RD.

Two little children, walking on the pavement in Queen's Road West, shortly after nine o'clock, were killed this morning in a distressing motor accident. A third fatality in the shocking affair was an adult Chinese, who was terribly injured and died in a few minutes, while a third child was injured and taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Responsible for the accident was a motor-lorry, No. 1065, which coming down the Pokfulam Road incline with the intention of turning into Queen's Road, is alleged to have been proceeding at too fast a pace and the driver being unable to take the turn properly, mounted the pavement. The four victims were run down, the two children being killed almost instantly.

GRANDFATHER AND SON'S FAMILY

Later. It is now learned that the tragedy involved four members of one family, the aged grandfather, his two grandsons and a granddaughter.

One of the little boys, rushed to hospital, is in a critical condition and is not expected to live. The lorry was, it appears, swinging out of Pokfulam Road and making the sharp turn left. The accident occurred outside No. 7 Police Station.

NEW NILE DAM COMMENCED

Being Built Close To Cairo

Cairo, To-day. Contracts totalling 2,500,000 Egyptian pounds have been placed for construction of a new Nile dam twenty-four kilometres downstream from Cairo.

The press, which reports the project, states that the scheme will give employment to 10,000 workers for three years.

Work on the new dam has already been begun.—Trans-Ocean.

CHAN CHAI-TONG IN BERLIN

Pays Visit To Famed Brown House

Munich, To-day. A Chinese delegation, headed by General Chan Chai-tang, a member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, yesterday paid a visit to the famous "Brown House," headquarters of the Nazi Party.

The visitors showed great interest in the various details of the organisation, explained to them by Lieut-Col. Roederer, who is attached to the delegation during their stay in Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has decreased considerably in intensity and has divided, the southern part having moved into the Pacific to the south-east of Japan, the northern part remaining over Manchuria. The depression is moving across the Eastern Sea on a north-east track.

Forecast: E. Winds, Moderate, Fair.

GERMANY AND JAPAN TO FIGHT SOVIET THIS YEAR

More Sensational "Disclosures" At Trial

BRITISH FLEET PATROLS ROUND SPAIN RESPONSIBILITY UNDER CONTROL SCHEME

London, To-day. The machinery of the non-intervention committee will start working again to-day when the sub-committee meets to discuss the control plan for Spain.

According to the "Evening Standard" it is planned to divide the Spanish frontiers into the following eight sectors:

1. The Franco-Spanish frontier in the Pyrenees, to be controlled by France.
2. The northern Spanish coastline, from the French coast down to the Portuguese northern frontier, to be controlled by the British and French fleets.
3. The land frontier between Spain and Portugal, for control of which sector details have not yet been decided upon.

FLEET PATROLS

4. The Spanish coast from the Portuguese southern border along the Straits of Gibraltar to Malaga, to be controlled by the British fleet.

5. The Spanish Mediterranean coast from Malaga to Cartagena, to be controlled by the German fleet.

6. The Spanish coast from Cartagena to the French frontier, to be controlled by the Italian fleet.

7. The Balearic Islands, where the territory held by the loyalists is to be controlled by the Italian fleet and Majorca by the French fleet.

8. The coast of the Spanish Morocco zone, to be controlled by the French fleet.

The entire control, according to the "Evening Standard," would have to take place outside Spanish territorial waters.—Trans-Ocean.

STOP PRESS

New York, To-day.

With nearly 1,000,000 homeless and a death-roll approaching 500, the flood waters are beginning to fall at Louisville, Kentucky, for the first time for a week.

The bulk of the river is now sweeping toward the Mississippi Valley, where the War Department has completed preparations to evacuate the 500,000 inhabitants of the valley at a moment's notice should it prove necessary.

Rescue workers have recovered 129 bodies from the swirling waters at Louisville, while the total flood damage is now estimated at over \$400,000,000.—Reuter.

Geneva In Happy Mood

Geneva, To-day. The League Council is in happy mood, having settled two thorny conflicts, the Sandjak and Danzig.

The Alexandretta dispute was finally disposed of by an agreement to form a commission to prepare the definite text of the Statute for the Sandjak, while agreement has also been reached on all questions affecting Danzig.—Reuter.

VIENNA DIVORCE DECISION

STRIKES NEW NOTE IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, To-day. A husband and wife belonging to different races, Aryan and Semitic, was for the first time recognised as a valid reason for divorce by the Civil Court here yesterday.

The husband was seeking a divorce and pointed out in his petition that the different racial strain in his wife, who was of Jewish ancestry, had gradually undermined the marriage and had finally resulted in a complete estrangement.

The Court accepted the argument and in its verdict explained that the varying outlook on life of the two races must make itself felt in married life and they therefore granted petitioner his divorce.—Trans-Ocean.

UNPRECEDENTED POWERS

New Enabling Act In Germany

Berlin, To-day. Four items are on the agenda of the meeting of the Reichstag, scheduled for January 30, the most important of which is a pronouncement by the Chancellor, Herr Hitler.

Other items are the formal constitution of the new Reichstag elected in March last year; election of the Reichstag President and a vote on the new Enabling Act, which will give the Reich Government unprecedented powers.—Trans-Ocean.

MARTIAL LAW IN SHANGHAI

Anniversary Of War With Japanese

Shanghai, To-day.

To-day being the fifth anniversary of the Shanghai War, martial law has been declared in the Chinese areas in Shanghai. Representatives of different schools and public bodies are to pay a tribute at the Shanghai War Heroes' Tomb this morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

TOOK HAMMER TO DYNAMITE!

Tam Kam was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday badly injured through the explosion of a piece of dynamite. He had found it on the site of the Queen Mary Hospital and tried to hammer a nail through it.

RADEK PREDICTS WAR IS CERTAINTY

THAT GERMANY AND JAPAN HAVE DECIDED ON WAR WITH RUSSIA THIS YEAR TO STAMP OUT COMMUNISM ONCE AND FOR ALL, AND THAT GREAT BRITAIN'S NEUTRALITY WOULD BE SOUGHT DURING THE CONFLICT, ARE THE LATEST SENSATIONAL "DISCLOSURES" TO EMERGE FROM THE MASS TRIAL OF FORMER SOVIET OFFICIALS NOW PROCEEDING IN MOSCOW.

Visions of the terrible nature of the conflict were conjured up by allegations that Japanese agents in the Soviet had planned to fill troop trains with deadly bacteria in time of war.

Radek was first on the witness stand yesterday morning and, says Reuter, predicted that a Russo-Japanese war was a certainty this year.

He said he had received a message from the exiled Trotsky through M. Piatakov, alleging that a deal had been carried through with Germany for this purpose. He predicted war some time in 1937.

Radek testified that Piatakov told him that Germany needed a year for diplomatic preparation, her military preparation being already complete.

Germany, he alleged, wanted Great Britain's neutrality and demanded the complete freedom of the Danube Basin and the Balkans.

Confirmation of Radek's statement was provided by Kynazeff, manager of the South Ural Railway, who declared that the Japanese held views similar to those stated in the former's evidence.

RAILWAY SABOTAGE
Kynazeff is alleged to have admitted to 3,500 attempts at train wrecking in two years, two thousand of these being made in 1936.

In one accident 63 were killed and 164 injured.

Kynazeff further stated that he had been blackmailed and had de-

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Shanghai Ladies

Hockey XI Coming

We have been advised by Mrs. Harrop, Hon. Secretary of The Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association, that the visit of the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey team will definitely materialise.

According to present arrangements, the team will arrive in the Colony on February 11.



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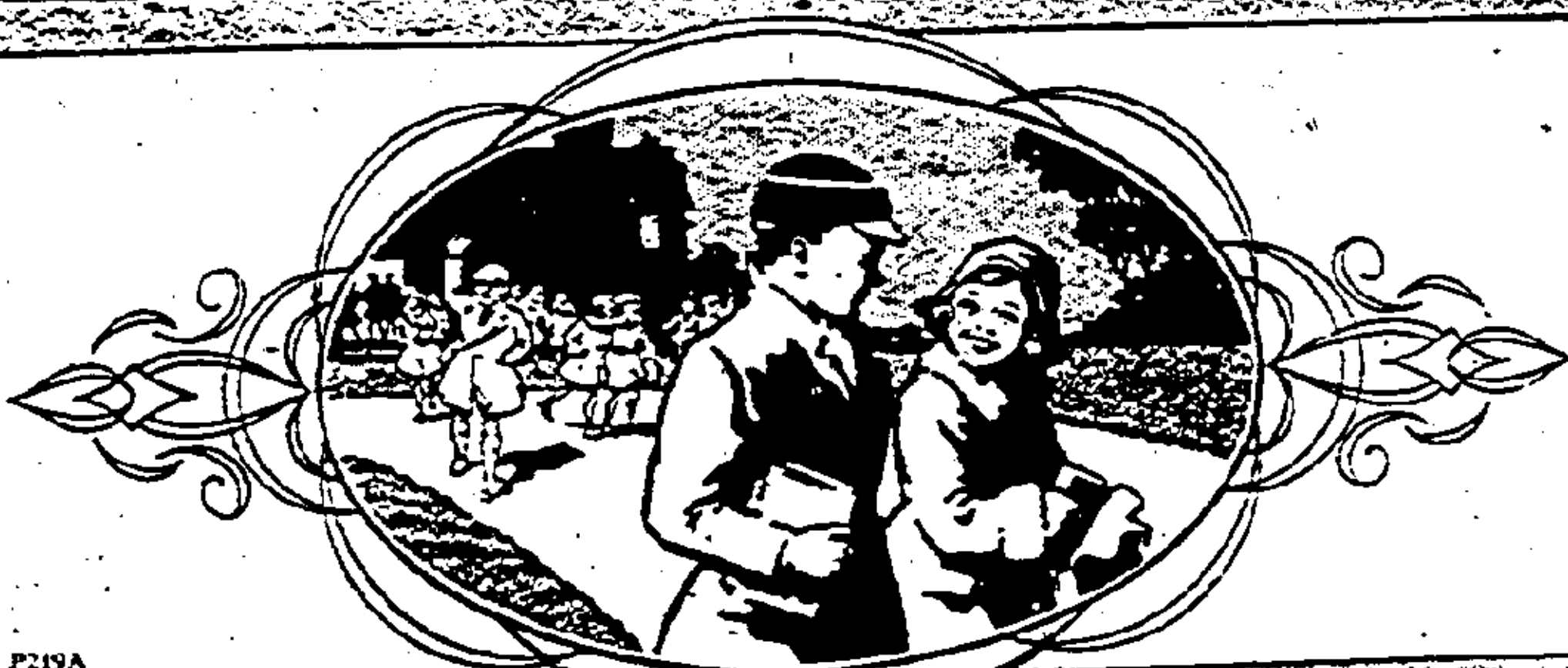
Why a Schoolmaster introduced OVALTINE into his School

FROM his own personal experience, the Head Master of an important provincial school has proved the supreme health-giving properties of delicious 'Ovaltine'. This has led him to inaugurate a scheme for supplying 'Ovaltine' to his pupils. He writes:—

"I should like to add that, in preference to any other form of beverage, I regularly take 'Ovaltine' myself each evening. I consider it to be all that you claim for it. I know it is many years since I have felt so fit and bright morning after morning—so thoroughly rested and refreshed after seven or eight hours sound sleep. In fact, it is my own personal experience which led me to introduce 'Ovaltine' into my school."

The experience of school authorities all over the country shows that where 'Ovaltine' is added to the mid-morning milk at school the beneficial effects are most marked. The children who have 'Ovaltine' are found to be more energetic, more alert and less liable to catch coughs, colds and other infectious ailments.

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KING OF THE BELGIANS MAY ABDICATE

DISPUTE WITH CABINET OVER MARRIAGE SUGGESTION

Reports of a dispute between King Leopold and his Government over the choice of a bride for the King's possible remarriage are spread in throughout Belgium.

It is believed in Government circles that the engagement of King Leopold and the 22-year-old Archduchess Adelaide, eldest sister of Prince Otto, claimant to the Austrian Throne, will be announced shortly.

It is denied in Court circles—inspired by the King himself.

The Government are anxious to bring Belgium closer to Central Europe by a marriage alliance with the House of Habsburg.

It is believed in certain circles that, owing to this dispute, the King will abdicate in favour of Prince Baudouin, his six-year-old son.

His Dead Wife

Haunted by memories of his dead wife, Queen Astrid, King Leopold is but a shadow of his former self. He has little desire to reign. No one wants a long Council of Regents, with all its attendant intrigues. The Government feel that remarriage would help the King to forget his sorrow, but are anxious, as stated, for an alliance with the House of Habsburg.

Archduchess Adelaide has special claims to be considered. She is a Roman Catholic. She has the approval of the Belgian Queen-Mother, Elizabeth. Her brother is a possible Emperor of Austria. She will have a powerful influence in European politics.

But the King is silent. For more than a year he has lived in semi-retirement.

Each evening he visits the dark crypt in the chapel of Lacken and kneels by the side of the tomb of the Queen. The romantic Lucerne village, from which he and Queen

Astrid set out on the last and fatal journey has been closed, but he still visits the villa alone.

Health Breaks Down

Four times this year, he spent several days there. He walks in silence by the lakeside, wistfully looking at the parapet which his car struck.

For hours he broods in silence. Then he enters the chapel erected in her memory and prays.

For months after the accident nobody dared to mention her name before him.

When the strain proved too much and his health broke down, his medical advisers hurried him to England where he spent his holiday playing golf in the quiet valleys of Sussex and Kent.

SPEED & SPORT "GLORIFIED"

Educationist Blames Cinema

"Vulgarity, vice and crime" as depicted by the cinema and the "glorification of reckless men and women who established records that benefited nobody save the manufacturers of machinery," were declared by Miss Agnes B. Muir, president of the Educational Institute of Scotland, to be of the greatest danger to educational progress.

She was making her presidential address to the annual Congress of the Institute in Edinburgh.

Many schools to-day glorified speed for its own sake, and they had been driven to adopt a motto alien to the Scottish character, "Safety first." The machine seemed to have so outrun their spiritual progress that it was perilously near crushing out civilisation altogether.

What else did the average youth glorify? The benefactors mankind and the pioneers must take a back seat behind boxers, professional footballers and cinema stars. People were content to be "fans"—an appropriate designation, for they were beating the air.

Glorification of Crooks

The cinema, instead of being a splendid instrument of enlightenment and education, was to an alarming extent presenting to the eyes of the masses of its patrons, among whom were children and adolescents, patterns of vulgarity, vice and crime.

It also presented the manners and morals of the underworld of Chicago, the glorification of crooks and gangsters, and a debased form of speech which was becoming common usage among the youth of the country.

Miss Muir has been infants' mistress at Milton House School, Edinburgh, since 1923. She was vice-president of the Educational Institute of Scotland in 1929-30, and for seven years has been on the executive committee.

A member of the National Committee for the Training of Teachers, she sat from 1929 to 1934 on the advisory council of the Scottish Education Department.

NEW AIR ROUTES IN CHINA

American Planes To Be Used

Airlines extending from Tientsin to Harbin in the north and from Tientsin to Tokyo in the east will be opened by the Huiting Air Transportation Company, a Sino-Japanese firm, as soon as a number of Douglas airliners is procured.

This announcement was made here by Gen. Chang Tsu-chung, Mayor of Tientsin, as he succeeded Mr. Chang Yung-jung, as chairman of the board of directors of the company.

Mr. Chang resigned his post claiming ill-health, but the reason for his retirement was generally believed to be the failure of Japanese military aircraft to cease their weekly flights to Paotow and to Tientsin. Chinese claim that the Japanese authorities promised that these trips would cease when the Huiting Company was formed on November 17.

The Tientsin-Tokyo route would be by way of Dairen, while the line to Harbin would operate along the route now being developed by the "Manchukuo" Air Transport Company, Gen. Chang said.

Forty pilots, of both Japanese and Chinese nationalities, will be trained by the company to fly the Douglas machines, which have already been ordered, he added.



This smart street dress is worn by charming Betty Grable, screen actress. It is in steel grey, sagea wool and white plaid, and the wooden buttons down the front are also grey. For contrast Miss Grable wears a perky felt hat of the new bright green with snude back.

NO HOME LIFE IN THE ARMY

Factor Holding Up Recruiting

A confession that "he did not pretend that conditions in the Army were satisfactory" was made by Mr. Duff Cooper, Secretary for War, replying to a debate in the Commons.

Mr. Anstruther Gray, seconding a motion by Mr. Palmer calling for better inducements for recruits, said young men were invited to sign on irrevocably for a period of seven years, six or more of which might be spent abroad.

There was no home life and they could not marry until they were twenty-six. They were at an age when young men usually had a best girl. Yet they had no chance of getting a job when their service was over.

He suggested that short service would attract recruits.

The question of passes should be looked into. When the military police pulled up a young soldier with a girl and addressed him with some such expression as "Wake up," it was extremely offensive and made him swear that he would not walk out in uniform again.

Mr. Duff Cooper said he hoped to make conditions more satisfactory and welcomed suggestions.

The question of shortening the period of service abroad were being reviewed.

Navy Without Any Warships

Plans for Britain's new naval reserve—yachtsmen and motorboat owners who cannot spare enough time to join the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve—are announced in Admiralty Fleet Orders. Men will be recruited for a Supplementary Reserve, unpaid, without rank, uniform or ship, but to

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70-Years-Old Man Praises Kruschen

A man who once suffered severely from rheumatism writes:—

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MENACE TO SINGAPORE DISCUSSED

QUESTION IN THE HOUSE

THE KRA CANAL

The much-discussed rumours of the Kra Canal project, which might "short circuit" Singapore and enable a foreign fleet to sail direct from the China Sea into the Bay of Bengal, formed the subject of a question in the House of Commons.

Sir Thomas Inskip, British Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, denied these rumours on the basis of the statement issued by the Siamese Foreign Office.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher asked the Minister if any decision had been formed as to whether it was practicable to cut a canal through the Isthmus of Kra, observing the importance of the effect of such a canal upon the strategic questions involved in the Singapore base.

Sir T. Inskip: My information is that no such scheme is under consideration by the Siamese Government, and I would draw the attention of the honourable and gallant Member to the statement of the Siamese Foreign Office, which was reproduced in the "Bangkok Times" of 28th March, 1936, the operative part of which is as follows:—

Latest Rumour
"There have been no tales from the Straits about any progress in cutting that canal across the Isthmus of Kra for quite a considerable time. But once set agoing such a story moves about here and there, and it is difficult to kill it. The latest form it has taken in Europe is that there are now 200 Japanese engineers and 20,000 workmen busy on the job!"

"A representative of this paper went to the Foreign Office yesterday and saw the Secretary of the Minister of Foreign Affairs about this, for it is sometimes well to get even an absurd statement officially contradicted. The Secretary pointed out that Siamese and foreigners alike are constantly travelling up and down the peninsula by rail, and know for themselves that no canal is being cut."

There is absolutely no foundation, he added, for the statement that such a canal is contemplated. It is not desirable economically or strategically. But the tale has found wide circulation, he said, since a German engineer had written to the Minister, expressing his willingness to undertake the job."

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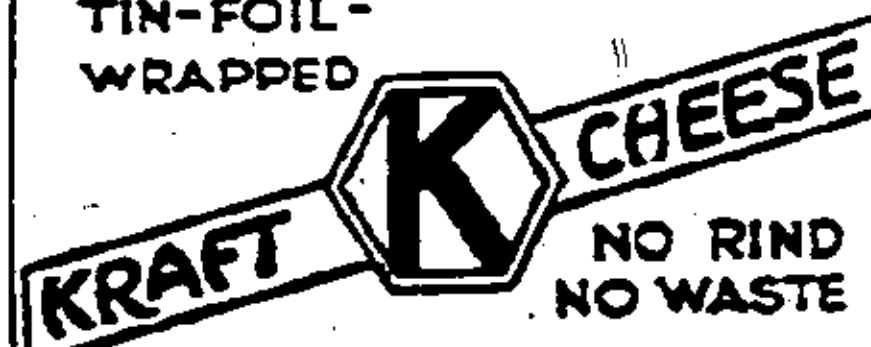
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MANCHES-
TER C. v Accrington
Millwall v Chelsea
PRESTON v Stoke

SWANSEA v York
TOTTENHAM v Plymouth
WEST BROM-
WICH v Darlington
WOLVES v Sheffield U.

FIRST DIVISION

CHARLTON (-) v Middlesboro (-)
LIVERPOOL (2) v Leeds (1)
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
BOURNE-
MOUTH (4) v Northampton (0)
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BRISTOL C. (2) v Clapton (0)
CRYSTAL (1) v Gillingham (1)
NEWPORT (1) v Aldershot (1)
SOUTHEND (1) v Swindon (0)
Torquay (0) v Notts C. (1)

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow (3) v ROTHER-
HAM (0)
GATES-
HEAD (4) v Lincoln (0)
HARTLE-
POOL (1) v Crewe (0)
HULL (-) v New Brighton (-)
SOUTH-
PORT (3) v Mansfield (3)
Stockport (-) v PORT VALE (-)
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Figures in brackets denote result of corresponding match last season and teams in capital letters are favoured to win.

London, Last Night

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Sporting Page



FUSILIERS HELD BY SEAFORTHS

SCOTSMEN HAVE GOOD TALENT

MILLER SHINES AS LEADER

(By "REFEREE")
Great excitement prevailed yesterday evening at Sookunpoo, where the Seaforth Highlanders gave a grand display of soccer to share two goals with the Fusiliers, dominating the exchanges in the opening period, although they came very near to losing in the second, their defence giving a sterling display to pull them through.

Judging from their play yesterday, the Seaforths will definitely be a menace next season and have some very promising talent, which, if properly looked after, could be turned into excellent Interport material.

There were several outstanding players, and of these the majority were supplied by the Highlanders. In Steele, their left-back, McKusker and Cook, their pivot and left-half respectively, and Miller and McGuigan, the leader and inside-left, the Seaforths have five players above the average.

Fine Leader

Miller, the Scots' leader, gave a delightful display and made his presence felt throughout the game, working very hard for the openings and giving the Welch defence a very anxious time. McGuigan, the inside-left, is definitely an acquisition to any team and is very quick to seize upon an opening, while he had an admirable understanding with his centre-forward.

Cook, the left-half, is one of the coolest defenders I have seen in recent years, while his ground passes were a delight to witness. McKusker, in the centre-half, came into the limelight occasionally with fine spoiling and distribution, while Steele was brilliant in defence and was a firm be-



A. M. Silva, above, who will partner L. A. Carvalho in the Men's Badminton Doubles Championship, is expected to reach the quarter-final stages.

liever in first-time methods. What I liked about his play was that he rarely gave an opposing winger time to think, while he used his head to advantage. The rest of the Seaforths' team, with possibly the exception of Ayres, the right-winger, who scored a fine snap-goal, were in need of polishing up.

Dilly-Dally Methods

The Fusiliers were badly lacking in leadership and should have been several goals ahead of their opponents during the second half, but dilly-dally methods and inability to shoot first-time in the goalmouth cost them victory.

Rowlands' lack of anticipation again cost him a goal and he was caught napping by a snap-goal by Ayres, whose quick-thinking action saw the Seaforths draw level.

Keating was missed at left-back and Gaizley, who substituted, was very erratic. Evans, Wanklyn and Taylor worked very hard in the intermediate line, but their work consisted mainly of spoiling and very little distribution. Both Taylor and Evans, who are being given a chance in next Sunday's Interport trial, were disappointing.

Talbot Off Form

Talbot worked very hard at inside-left, but has deteriorated considerably in his methods. He hung on to the ball too long and his passes invariably went astray.

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SEAFORTHS CHALK UP FIRST WIN

FUSILIERS FAIL IN JUNIOR LEAGUE

SCOTS HALVES IN GREAT FORM

(By "ROVER")

Playing delightful football in the attack and assisted by a strong intermediate trio, the Seaforths registered their first win in the Second Division of the Hong Kong Soccer League when they defeated the Fusiliers at Sookunpoo yesterday by two clear goals.

The Seaforths were the more aggressive team from the start and the Fusiliers were forced on the defensive early in the game. They were unfortunate to lose Jones their left-back, following a collision with Jamieson, in the first-half, thus forcing Dennis to fall back to assist the defence and thereby greatly weakening their attack.

The Seaforths' forwards combined well and were neat in their distribution. Samson, recently promoted from the Third Division team made a good impression. He missed several chances in the first-half, including a penalty, but scored both his side's goals.

The Seaforths' one fault, however, was that their forwards held on to the ball too long before passing and were often caught in an offside position.

Spies Shines

Spies gave an excellent exhibition at centre-half. His height and headwork made him a difficult man to pass, while his tackling and clearing were sound. Newton and McLachlan, his wing-halves, were also in great form and worried the Fusiliers forwards to such an extent that they were not able to get going at all.

Both backs were prominent with their first-time clearances and covered their halves well, while Atkinson, in goal, saved several difficult shots, including a free-kick from Cresty, but on the whole he was not greatly tested.

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STAPLES BEATEN AT BILLIARDS

Lam Cho-cha Enters Second Round

Two more matches in the Colony Senior Billiards Championship were played last night, H. W. Staples, who was considered a good chance of reaching the quarter-finals, was unexpectedly defeated at the Catholic Union Club by Siu Hon-yat, by 500 points to 409.

At the Kowloon Cricket Club Lam Cho-cha, who reached the semi-final round stage last year, entered the Second Round easily, defeating E. L. Barros by 500 points to 274.

M. N. RAKUSEN FAVOURED

Colony Billiards Tie To-night

M. N. Rakusen, former Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Billiards Association, will meet M. K. Lau in the First Round of the Colony Senior Billiards Championship this evening, at Club Lusitano.

Rakusen is a steady player and is favoured to win, but Lau will need to be watched. He plays a very good game and will probably fully extend Rakusen.

Two fixtures in the Junior Section are also down for decision. D. A. Montalto will encounter K. F. Tai, at the Engineers' Institute, and at the South China Athletic Association M. A. Baptista will meet C. Wellings.



Colony cricket sustained a severe loss on Tuesday last when Frank D. Pereira, above, the popular former captain of the L.R.C. left Hong Kong for Ceylon with his wife and family.

CRICKET WIN FOR QUEEN'S

N. Singh And Ismail Ali Shine With Ball

In a friendly inter-school cricket match played yesterday at Sookunpoo, on the L.R.C. ground, Queen's College defeated the Ellis Kadoorie Indian School by 25 runs.

Queen's College: 70 for 9 dec. (Ismail Ali 46).
Ellis Kadoorie I.S.: 45 (S. Singh 10, Naranjan Singh 6 for 25, Ismail Ali 4 for 15).

COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUCCESSFUL "SEEDING" IN THREE EVENTS

THE draw for the first Colony Open Badminton Championships, organised by the Hong Kong Badminton Association, was held yesterday evening when it was decided to "seed" four players in the Men's Doubles and Singles and two in the Mixed Doubles.

The tournaments will start next Monday, and the First and Second rounds must be completed on or before February 23. In the First and Second rounds of the Men's Singles, the first-named player in each bracket will have the right of selecting the court and will be responsible for making arrangements with his opponent, securing an umpire, sending in the result of the game within 48 hours to Mr. S. A. Gray, Hon. Secretary of the Association, and obtaining shuttle-cocks from Mr. H. Kew, c/o Dairy Farm Co., either by personal application or by a messenger in possession of a signed chit. The above will only apply to the first round in the Mixed Doubles event.

The Sub-Committee have accomplished their task of "seeding" in a very capable manner, and unless there are some phenomenal upsets, all the seeded players should have little difficulty in reaching the semi-final rounds of their respective events.

The following are the draws—

MEN'S SINGLES

Byes Into 2nd Round
P. H. Wong, P. C. Leung, K. S. Liew, S. W. Liang, Lui Kwai-yun, C. E. Chung, Y. C. Lee, S. A. Gray.

First Round
F. H. Kwok v. E. da Souza, P. Koh v. P. K. Hui, T. C. Lee v. S. A. Gray.

Byes Into 2nd Round
H. Kew, A. L. Fisher, N. A. E. Mackay, Hon. Sin-yun, J. J. Ong, K. L. Yong and M. A. Oliveira (bye).

Indicates "seeded" players.
MEN'S DOUBLES
Byes Into 2nd Round
P. H. Wong and C. E. Chung, A. J. Bennett and Y. Kwok, S. A. Gray and P. A. Broadbridge, A. M. Silva and L. A. Carvalho, F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang, M. Well and W. H. S. Davis, Lui Kwai-yun and J. W. Walkden.

First Round
A. Chan and N. A. E. Mackay v. T. C. Lee and P. K. Hui, H. Kew and E. F. Fincher v. K. S. Liew and K. S. Yong.

Byes Into 2nd Round
P. C. Leung and B. E. Lee, T. W. Wong and T. Y. Cheong, H. A. Alves and E. da Souza, J. J. Ong and F. Koh, C. H. S. and P. E. Tan, A. E. Xavier and H. A. Barros, and M. A.

K.C.C. BOWLING NOT HANDLED WELL

ARCULLI ACCEPTS HIS OPPORTUNITY

BAXTER MOST PROMISING PLAYER IN THE COLONY

(By "ADREM")

THE needle encounter in last Saturday's League cricket programme was played at the H.K.C.C., where the home team placed themselves in a strong position for premier honours by scoring a decisive win by 9 wickets over last year's champions, the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Fifteen two such powerful batting sides selected, general opinion had it that a draw could be the only possible result. Tom Hayward, the H.K.C.C. skipper, however, won the toss, sent the visitors in and after Holden and Bowker had dismissed them for 126, the two Peaces and Neve scored the required runs in brilliant style.

The Kowloon team, after opening the season quite promisingly, have fallen away considerably, so that their defeat did not altogether come as a surprise. Both Fincher and Neve have been extraordinarily disappointing in their recent performances—Kowloon's success in winning last year's championship was directly attributable to their fine form.

Despite the fact that the visitors totalled only 126 runs, I feel that they would have given the winners a much better fight if the bowling talent in the side had been better utilised. The wicket had been

considerably over-watered and was taking a lot of spin, as Alec Pearce ably demonstrated, and yet Goodwin persisted in keeping Lee and himself on until practically all chance of victory had gone. When Lay was put on, he always looked dangerous and neither Neve nor Alec Pearce, who had been scoring freely off the faster bowlers, appeared comfortable when facing him.

Bad Mistake

Why Anderson was not bowled, is beyond me. Before he left the Colony four years ago, he was one of the finest medium-paced off break trundlers playing in the League. He is a very similar type to T. A. Pearce and was the obvious man for an over or two.

Bowker and Holden were the most successful Club bowlers. The former, who opened the attack, was always dangerous and the deliveries with which he dismissed Teddy Fincher and Ramsay were real snorters. Holden, who did not play the previous week owing to an attack of flu, made the mistake of trying to bowl at his normal pace before he had warmed up. The result was a series of rank long-hops which were well and truly hooked to the boundary. I was sure that Hayward would take him off after his second over, as he had not then improved his length, but his confidence was justified for he found a spot just outside the leg stump and finished off the K.C.C. innings in quick time.

Admirable Foil

Alec Pearce, while not meeting with a great deal of success, proved an admirable foil for Holden and his spinners were always difficult to score off.

Special mention must be made of the batting of Neve and T. E. Pearce, who opened for the Club. The former was out to score runs and drove both straight and

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G. A. Smith and Roland Koh (St. John's)
beat D'Almada and Hoo 21-7
beat Smedley and Alvares 21-2
beat Chan and Lee 21-6

LEAGUE TABLES

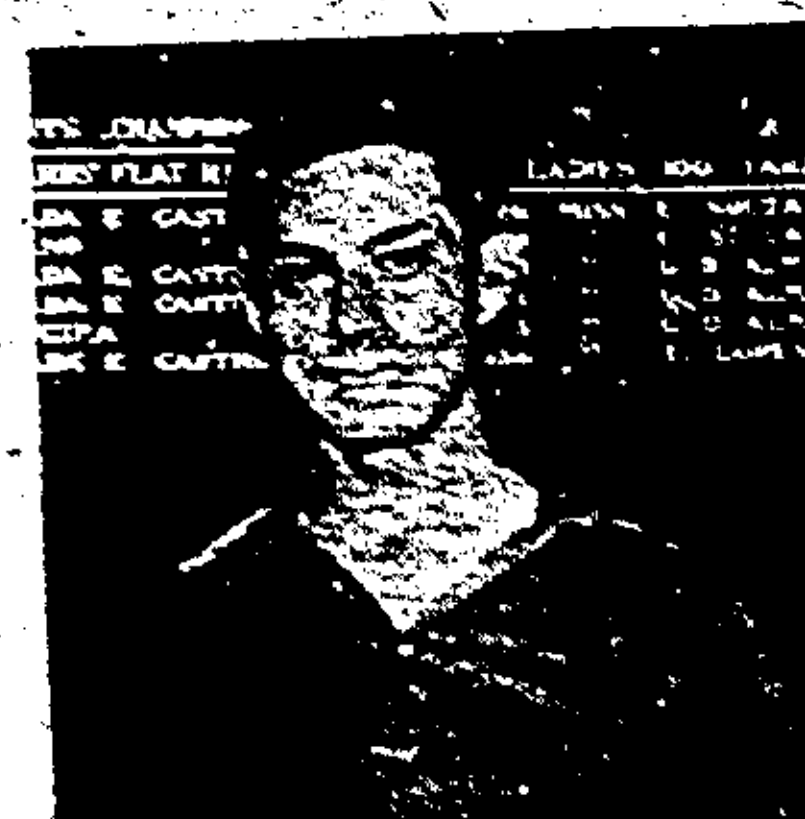
"A" Division
P. W. D. L. F. A. P.
Recreio "A" 7 7 0 0 56 7 14
Recreio "B" 7 4 0 3 24 30 8
University "A" 4 4 0 0 25 2 3
St. Andrew's "A" 8 3 0 5 34 41 6
C.R.C. 9 2 0 6 33 48 6

Chinese Y.M.C.A. 3 2 0 1 19 8 4
University "B" 3 1 0 2 25 22 2
Free Lancers 7 0 0 7 14 49 0
(Recreio "B" conceded two points to University "A").

"B" Division
King's College 7 7 0 0 57 6 14
St. John's 8 6 0 2 47 25 12
Kowloon Tong 8 5 0 3 42 29 10
"A" 8 4 0 2 21 23 3
V.R.C. 8 2 0 6 15 57 4
S. & S. Home 8 2 0 6 15 57 4

St. Andrew's "B" 7 1 0 6 20 42 2
Kowloon Tong "B" 8 1 0 7 21 51 2

* indicates "seeded" players.
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L. A. Carvalho, above, a member of Recreio's powerful Mixed Doubles League team, will partner Miss C. Silva in the Colony Mixed Doubles Badminton championship.

TO-NIGHT'S PING-PONG ENCOUNTER

EUROPEAN "Y" TO MEET CHINESE

POPULARISING THE GAME

(By "ACE")

The first step towards popularising the game of ping-pong (Table Tennis) among the non-Chinese clubs and organisations will be made to-night by the European Y.M.C.A., when they entertain the Confucian Society in a friendly encounter in their West Lounge, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

A large crowd is expected to witness this match as it will be the first, for several years past, in which a European team will pit their strength against a Chinese combination.

The Chinese players who will represent the Confucian Society this evening are well-known for their high standard of play. They are very fast and tricky and have hitherto held their own against all teams in the Colony.

"Y" Fairly Good

The "Y" are by no means a poor team. In W. J. Ashton, their Assistant Secretary, they have a sound player who, besides slicing the majority of his shots, possesses a fast twist service. H. B. Neve who is expected to play this evening, is very steady, while R. Goldman is a medium pace, but steady exponent. Harris will also need to be watched.

To-night's match should turn out to be very interesting and will probably be the forerunner of many others of a similar nature.

It is learned that Mr. MacPherson, a Director of the "Y", is contemplating arranging a friendly table tennis match between the European "Y" and the Chinese "Y". This match will probably take place during the following week.

CLUB AND SERVICES MEET AGAIN

BIDWELL WILL BE AVAILABLE

RUGBY CLASH ON SATURDAY

The Hong Kong Football Club will be at full strength next Saturday for their second Rugby clash against the United Services, after sharing the spoils in their first encounter on January 16, when the Club staged a remarkable late recovery to score two goals in the last 10 minutes of the clash.

H. D. Bidwell, the Club's star centre-threequarter, who has been laid up for the past three weeks with an injured heel, has now recovered and will displace H. van Leeuwen as left-centre-threequarter, in support of Chadwick, again making this wing one of the most dangerous in China.

The Combined Service have only two ships' teams to pick from, the Berwick and the Adventure, and I think that as a result the majority

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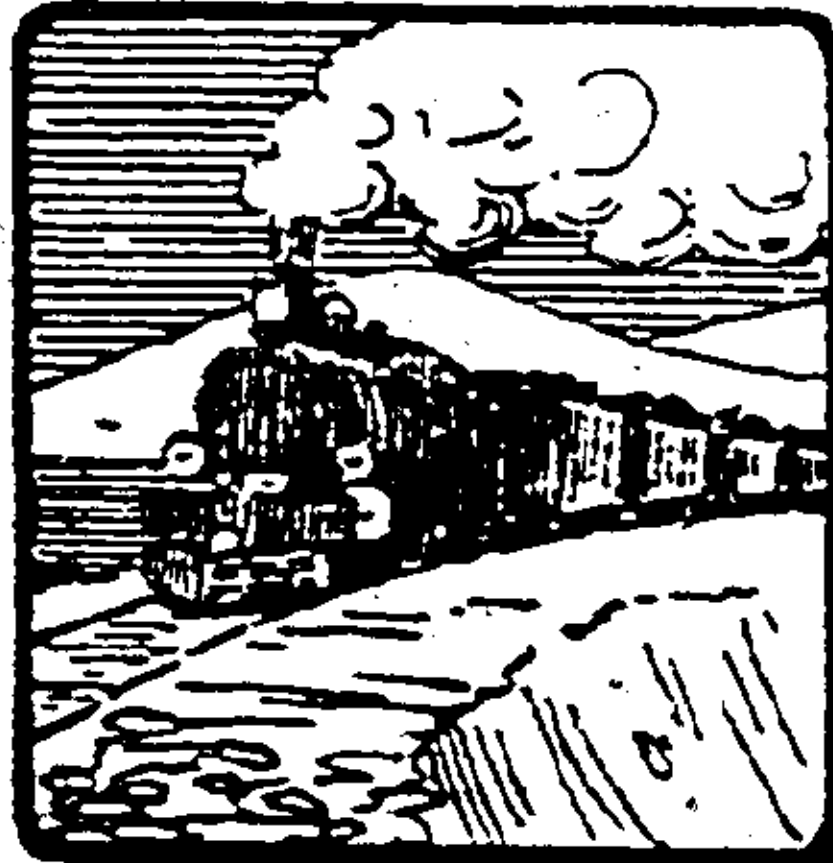
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through the covers with delight, while his beautifully timed leg glances were a delight to watch. Pearce, although only scoring 17, displayed all the confidence of the master and never looked like getting out.

The shrewd manner in which he captained the side clearly showed that Hayward is the cleverest skipper in the Colony.

Baxter A Coming Interporter

(By "ATHOLL")

I was very favourably impressed with K. M. Baxter, whom I saw in action for the first time, against the Club last Saturday. He is an Interporter in the making if he ever was one.

As a stylist Baxter has few superiors in the Colony and his only weakness at the moment is his inability to get sufficient power behind his shots to penetrate a well-placed field. He has a good eye and a wide repertoire of strokes which he exploits with effortless ease. His bowling was always impressive and he deserved a longer spell than three overs. Reputed to be a slack fieldsman, he will, however, do well to make a study of this department of the game if he intends getting anywhere in "big" cricket—Interports.

I saw he was playing for the first team against Craigengower last Sunday. For a batsman of

his possibilities No. 9 was not quite the place for him, and I am surprised that the K.C.C. did not take this opportunity of giving him a real test as an opening batsman. They are looking for the ideal partner for Donald Anderson and, as far as I can make out, Baxter will have all the qualifications next season. It only bears out the point that local captains rarely use friendly games to the best advantage.

Bowling Too Fast

Another K.C.C. player who impressed me was W. L. McKenzie, a medium-paced left-hander who can get quite a lot of work on the ball in addition to clever variation of pace. He would, however, be of much more use to his side if he bowled just a shade slower—at the moment he is sacrificing guile for pace and is not getting the results he would normally get.

W. Mulcahy and T. A. Madar batted really well during their partnership which realised 74 runs. The former has improved beyond all recognition, although he is still not too sure of his off shots. Anything on the leg side, however, is "jam" to this left-hander. Madar is no novice with the bat and he scored freely all round the wicket, his best shot being the square cut.

Few of the H.K.C.C. players came off. H. A. Murray batted very patchily, albeit very pluckily, for his 34 runs. His main trouble at the moment is that he cannot resist nibbling at a ball



B. T. Gosano, above, is one of the Colony's finest all-rounders and, besides being a prominent member of the Argonauts hockey team, is the captain of the local football League.

just outside his off stump. W. Stoker, although he was never seen at his best, deserved a better analysis than 2 for 40. On one occasion he could not have missed Mulcahy's off peg by more than a coat of paint.

Strong Challengers

It was a pity Arthur Dand was unable to captain the home team—he sustained a nasty knock on the instep when 'keeping to Willie Hung on the previous Saturday—but Mulcahy, apart from over-bowling his two opening bowlers, did well as a substitute.

Looking at the teams before the match I was convinced the K.C.C. would win easily, whoever won the toss, and I doubt whether the inclusion of P. C. Frost—who was promoted, and J. E. Potter, who was going, would have saved the Club from defeat, although the issue would have been considerably closer.

The K.C.C. team of Saturday should defeat Recreio and the Police in their remaining two fixtures and so win the title that has eluded them since the 1921-2 season. If they don't it will not be the fault of their opponents.

CLUB AND SERVICES MEET AGAIN

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of their players will be taken from the military Rugby teams, particularly the Fusiliers and the Royal Engineers.

Rice Evans To Play

Following his good display last Saturday for the Army against the Club, it is very probable that Lt. Rice-Evans will again turn out as a centre-threequarter, while it is hoped that L/Cpl. Davies, who has been on the injured list for some time, will have recovered in time to bring the Services' threequarter line to its full strength.

The following is the Club team for next Saturday, the Services' team being unavailable at the moment:

Club 1st XV—J. P. Whitlam; G. K. Chadwick, H. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve, A. K. Munro; A. H. E. Butler and J. L. Bonnar; A. F. Walkden, W. E. Peers, E. P. Humphreys; L. H. Bradford, A. W. Holden; B. O'M. Deane, K. A. Watson and J. A. Redman.

SEAFORTH'S CHALK UP FIRST WIN

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Both wingers were fast and good at centering. Higgins was prominent in the second period and displayed good form with his runs down the wing, while on the other flank Adams was equally effective against Dennis. He was prone to cut in more than Higgins, but his shooting was weaker.

Handicapped by the loss of Gaidy, and playing with only four forwards for the greater part of the game, the Fusiliers were unable to combine well at forward. They received little or no assistance from their defence and had to forage for the ball themselves. Bumster worked hard but, unsupported, could achieve nothing.

Saunders was outstanding in the Fusiliers' team. He was given a gruelling time in goal and had shots directed at him from all quarters, but he displayed great coolness and anticipation in dealing with them.

The Seaforths were mostly on the offensive, but failed to take advantage of a penalty kick taken by Samson. In the second-half, however, Samson scored twice for his side.

Fusiliers:—Saunders; Vale and Jones; Collins, Cresty and Davis; Williams, Bumster, Grindley, Dennis and Davies.
Seaforths:—Atkinson; Higley and Bryson; Newton, Spiers and McLea; Ison, Adams, Jamieson, Samson, Livingstone and Higgins.

FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football League and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.


| First Division | | HOME | | | | | | AWAY | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | Pts | Pts | |
| Arsenal (6) | WWDWW | 26 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 33 | 17 | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 25 | 15 | 34 | | | |
| *Charlton (-) | WWWWWW | 26 | 12 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 7 | 19 | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 34 | |
| Brentford (5) | WDWDD | 25 | 14 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 33 | 11 | 24 | 11 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 12 | 22 | 7 | 31 | |
| Sunderland (1) | WDHDD | 26 | 12 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 32 | 10 | 23 | 14 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 18 | 28 | 7 | 30 | |
| Mid-boro (14) | WDWW | 26 | 14 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 35 | 15 | 24 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 14 | 30 | 6 | 28 | |
| Derby (2) | WWWW | 26 | 13 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 34 | 24 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 23 | 32 | 12 | 28 | |
| P.smouth (10) | WLWW | 26 | 13 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 27 | 17 | 20 | 13 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 25 | 6 | 28 | |
| *Edersfield (3) | WDWDD | 26 | 13 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 31 | 19 | 13 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 16 | 24 | 7 | 28 | |
| *M.ter C. (9) | WDWW | 25 | 13 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 32 | 13 | 20 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 19 | 25 | 8 | 28 | |
| Everton (16) | DDWL | 26 | 14 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 35 | 10 | 24 | 12 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 14 | 23 | 3 | 27 | |
| Wolves (15) | WLWW | 26 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 32 | 14 | 18 | 14 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 15 | 28 | 9 | 27 | |
| Chelsea (8) | WWWW | 26 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 11 | 23 | 7 | 26 | |
| Grimsby (17) | DLWL | 26 | 12 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 38 | 17 | 20 | 14 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 14 | 35 | 6 | 26 | |
| Stoke (4) | DDWL | 26 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 36 | 13 | 19 | 13 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 12 | 35 | 6 | 25 | |
| Preston (7) | LDWW | 26 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 34 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 34 | 38 | 6 | 24 | | |
| Bolton (13) | LLWD | 26 | 14 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 15 | 29 | 10 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 16 | 11 | 5 | 21 | |
| Liverpool (19) | DLWW | 26 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 27 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 16 | 36 | 5 | 21 | |
| Leeds (11) | DLWW | 26 | 12 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 8 | 19 | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 14 | 39 | 2 | 21 | |
| Birmingham (12) | DDLL | 26 | 12 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 19 | 19 | 11 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 17 | 27 | 9 | 20 |
| Wednesday (20) | LLWW | 25 | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 23 | 19 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 14 | 12 | 5 | 20 |
| W. Brom. (18) | WLWW | 25 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 25 | 25 | 15 | 13 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 18 | 35 | 5 | 20 | |
| *M.ter U. (-) | LDWL | 26 | 13 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 19 | 16 | 17 | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 11 | 30 | 2 | 17 | |

| Second Division | | HOME | | | | | | AWAY | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | Pts | Pts |
| Sp.ool (10) | LDWL | 25 | 13 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 16 | 16 | 14 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 20 | 21 | 21 | |
| Plymouth (7) | LDWL | 26 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 30 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 19 | 19 | 14 | 33 |
| Bury (14) | WLWL | 25 | 12 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 19 | 22 | 16 | 31 |
| *Coventry (-) | DDWL | 26 | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 26 | 13 | 20 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 15 | 8 | 11 | 31 |
| Sheff. U. (3) | LDWL | 25 | 14 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 31 | 9 | 22 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 16 | 23 | 9 | 31 |
| Leicester (6) | LDWW | 27 | 12 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 29 | 22 | 15 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 20 | 26 | 13 | 30 | |
| *N.astle (8) | DDWL | 27 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 31 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 22 | 17 | 15 | 30 |
| Fulham (9) | WWWW | 26 | 13 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 33 | 22 | 17 | 13 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 19 | 22 | 13 | 30 |
| Burnley (15) | WLWW | 26 | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 25 | 8 | 20 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 20 | 9 | 29 |
| *A. Villa (-) | WWDL | 26 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 31 | 15 | 17 | 13 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 21 | 28 | 11 | 28 |
| W. Ham (3) | WWWWW | 25 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 32 | 17 | 14 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 14 | 27 | 9 | 26 | |
| *C.terfield (-) | LDWW | 26 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 30 | 15 | 19 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 19 | 34 | 6 | 25 |
| Tottenham (5) | WLWW | 26 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 20 | 12 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 17 | 18 | 9 | 24 |
| Barnsley (4) | WWLD | 26 | 14 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 19 | 12 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 12 | 27 | 5 | 24 | |
| *Blackburn (-) | WWLL | 26 | 13 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 22 | 17 | 14 | 13 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 15 | 10 | 24 | |
| *Sampson (17) | DDWL | 26 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 25 | 14 | 19 | 12 | 3 | 10 | | | | | |
| Swansea (13) | LDWL | 26 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 26 | 10 | 18 | 14 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 30 | 5 | 23 |
| Norwich (11) | LDWL | 26 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 15 | 19 | 13 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 23 | 9 | 22 |
| Bradford (16) | LDWL | 26 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 23 | 26 | 15 | 12 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 11 | 32 | 7 | 22 |
| Notts F. (19) | LDWL | 26 | 13 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 18 | 16 | 12 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 26 | 5 | 21 |
| Elford C. (12) | LDWL | 27 | 13 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 21 | 20 | 14 | 14 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 12 | 37 | 5 | 19 |
| Doncaster (19) | WLWL | 26 | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 20 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 6 | 39 | 2 | 14 |

| Third Division South | | HOME | | | | | | AWAY | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | P | P | P | P | P | P | Goals | P | P | P | P | P | P | Goals | Pts. | TL |
| | | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | W | L | D | F | A | Pts | Pts | Pts | Pts |
| Chester (2) | LDWL | 25 | 15 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 46 | 15 | 25 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 15 | 21 | | |
| Stockport (5) | WWLD | 25 | 13 | 10 | 0 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |

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HUMANISING MATHEMATICS

More than twenty years ago Stephen Leacock, professional humorist, made amusing play with the conventional symbols and phraseology of mathematics by bringing them into quaint apposition with ordinary human feelings and affairs. He dramatised A, B and C the heroes of arithmetic, and lodged Euclid's prim phrases in a ridiculous boarding-house with a landlady who was "an oblong angular figure which cannot be described but is equal to anything." The inhumanity, for numerous generations, of academic mathematics made room for this satirical treatment of a worthy science grown ridiculously remote from human aims and interests, at least in those aspects which it presents at school and college. A disgusting dryness has discouraged many a person of good intellect from understanding it. If it were clothed again with the romance and warmth of its social history and invested with the excitement of its astonishing train of discoveries, those who have always jibbed at it might turn to the subject even as a recreation.

When one considers mathematics as a product of changing human society, and not, as we are wont to suppose, as a miscellaneous assortment of tough but sometimes amusing puzzles emanating from the brains of a race of clever schoolmasters, one no longer sees it as the coldest, most detached and inhuman of sciences. Prehistoric builders, ancient philosophers of China and India and Greece, Moorish physicians, and mediaeval merchants have contributed to its discoveries and inventions. The binomial theorem, for instance, valuable applications of which are known to mathematicians, statisticians, and academic book-makers, converges, in the vista of history, with the sad sweet quatrains of Fitzgerald's famous Rubaiyat, to the brain of Omar Khayyam the Persian poet. Poetry and romance indeed are not so far from mathematics as Hall and Knight would have us believe. Presented along with the relevant history of each discovery, and the social conditions in which it arose, mathematical facts and techniques acquire a significance far different from that which characterises the bare presentation, without comment, of the results of the slow centuries of intellectual progress.

Lancelot Hogben, in his admirable "Mathematics for the Million" (Allen and Unwin) calls mathematics the language of size. To learn this language is to acquire its grammar, a task not merely formal but one which is a means to the understanding of modern science which signifies so much to civilisation. The average student is led to study the grammar of the language of size not with the desire to read the language and use it as a means of communicating ideas associated with the needs of human society, but as an end in itself. He resembles Browning's Grammarian in his detachment but lacks the Grammarian's noble devotion. When he is confronted with modern science, with its strong tendency to leave ordinary language behind and break into mathematical language, his meagre and formalised equipment breaks down. A curious experiment would

An Ambassador Looks At Europe

WILLIAM C. BULLITT, American's first Ambassador to Soviet Russia has just gone to France to head the embassy in Paris. He has taken up his duties at a time when democratic France, ruled by a Socialist government, is disturbed by the dramatic struggle between fascism and communism which has the whole of Europe as its stage. Mr. Bullitt has been a close observer of the European scene for the better part of his life. He visited Lenin on a secret mission just after the World War ended, and he has performed other important diplomatic duties, apart from three years of service as Ambassador in Moscow. An intimate knowledge not only of Russia but of Europe in general has convinced him that the democratic form of government is by far the best.

A Philadelphian of wealth and distinguished lineage, Mr. Bullitt, tall, lithe and debonair, embodies in his appearance all preconceived notions of what a diplomat should look like. It is not hard to imagine him poring over State documents or carrying important secret messages across well-guarded frontiers. Yet he is so outspoken that his candor is puzzling. Endowed with a sense of humour, he is awed by nothing; appreciative of the dramatic, he finds the theatre of statecraft appealing.

SEVENTEEN years ago Mr. Bullitt advocated the recognition of the Soviet Union, not because he believed in its policies, but because he thought that the United States should not attempt to decide for any nation what form of government it should have.

"I still think," he said recently, "that the thing to do is to look facts in the face. A government de facto should be recognised irrespective of whether we are in accord with its principles or not. That has been our guiding principle since Henry Clay, as Secretary of State, declared that as soon as stability and order are maintained, no matter by whom, we should consider the actual as the true government."

"On the other hand, we reserve for ourselves the same right of determining the form of government under which we desire to live, and we should never permit any nation to interfere in our internal affairs."

"Americans have no idea how blessed they are. They should be eternally grateful that they are living under a system which assures them liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

"Never since the foundation of our Republic has there been abroad in the world such contempt for human freedom as there is to-day. In endeavouring to find solutions for economic difficulties, many foreign nations have submitted to privileged and persecuting orthodoxies which sacrifice human freedom on the bloody altars of their fanatic faiths. Dictatorships, based on secret police and firing squads, have been set up. The noblest words that can issue from the mouths of man have been prostituted, and the noblest sentiments have been played upon by propaganda to conceal the simple truth that dictatorships are tyrannies imposing their dogmas on enslaved peoples."

"In those lands men and women live in fear of an invisible hand behind their necks, ready to seize them in the night and drag them to prison or exile or a firing squad. Yet we Americans are advised by foreign apostles of those fanaticisms to set up a universal

be to count how many in a large gathering of presumably educated men could solve a quadratic equation. Nearly all of them would have learned algebra but without much of the thrill of discovery, and for no earthly purpose except the barren one of persuading matriculation examiners that the bag of tricks has been mastered. The true joy of discovery is indeed only to the discoverer, but like the echo of the poet's emotion in the soul of the true poetry-lover, some of the emotion of mathematical discovery can with appropriate teaching be conveyed to the learner."

reign of fear in order to solve our economic problems."

As Mr. Bullitt spoke it was evident that he had more than one country in mind. His words applied with equal force to Russia, to Italy and to Germany. One envisaged a seething Europe, racked by two opposing forces, each endeavouring to gain control, and two antithetical ideas gripped in a life and death struggle: the victory of either meaning little but misery to the innocent but deluded individual citizens. Despite the images which Mr. Bullitt's attitude rather than his words called up, however, there is another side to the picture.

"Demand in Russia to-day," said the Ambassador, "is enormous and the standard of living is rising so that a new demand is being constantly created. A concrete example of this was pointed out to me by one of the leaders of the Soviet Government just a short time before I left. He called my attention to the fact that a few years ago a good Communist insisted on wearing an old shirt and having his wife dressed in a shapeless garment. To-day that same man demands white shirts and stiff collars, and he demands many of them. His wife wants fashionable clothes, rouge, perfume and powder."

"The Soviet Union is more than a country; it is a continent, the surface of which is scarcely scratched—a continent containing over a hundred and seventy million human beings. The development of our country after the Civil War was phenomenally rapid. The development of the Soviet Union promises, unless war shall intervene, to be even more so."

"The Soviet Union is just beginning its great task of internal reconstruction. Industry and agriculture have been reorganised. Life is going ahead. But the new Russian economic life is a young tree. It is, after its own fashion, strong and vigorous. It will grow into immense stature unless it is stunted and twisted by war. Unfortunately it is impossible to say that there is no chance of war in the world to-day."

"The Russians," he added, "have a genuine admiration for our ability to grapple with the physical difficulties of life and overcome them. During my stay there I heard over and over again the expressions 'American tempo' and 'American methods' used in a laudatory sense. Moreover, the hardihood of our engineers and specialists who have gone into the wilderness have called forth great praise from the Russians."

"I am fond of the Russians as individuals. In a sense they, like ourselves, are a pioneer people. Siberia stretches out before them in the same way that the West did before us in our earlier days. It is perhaps easier for them than for the people of any other country to understand and appreciate the pioneer quality which is the basis of our national life."

That this pioneer quality should appeal to Mr. Bullitt is not strange. For he is a descendant of Patrick Henry's sister, and is related in one degree or another to many Virginians, through the Bullitts, Harrisons, Washingtons and Langhorns, to say nothing of Pocahontas herself. Despite this intensely American background there is something essentially cosmopolitan about him. It was the cultured man of the world, sitting with head tilted forward, a smoking cigarette grasped in a long thin finger, who recounted anecdotes of William Orpen, the Irish painter, who told of the opium-dazed Francis Thompson nodding at the fireplace of Alice Meynell, and who recalled some of the personal peculiarities of Henri Matisse.

He spoke of modern art and wondered what some of it meant, and he expressed great admiration for the Russian theatre and the truth months before the public

ballet, mentioning the fact that the Bolsheviks had retained at the head of both of these enterprises the same person who had directed them under the Czarist regime. It was in 1914 that Mr. Bullitt first entertained the idea of taking up diplomacy as a career. He was 23 at the time, a graduate of Yale and a student at the Harvard Law School. His father had died, and in order to divert his mother's mind he decided to induce her to travel.

"We had never been in Russia," he told me, "and we went to Moscow and stopped at the National Hotel. One night we were awakened by shouts in the streets. Suddenly the sleeping city was filled with a wild uproar. The war had started. I was young at the time and I hated war, and I'll confess to you that I was naive enough to make up my mind then and there that I was going to stop the war."

"When I first went to Russia as the American Ambassador our country had no home for its embassy. The Russians had kindly made arrangements for my reception, and I was ushered into a suite which they had reserved for me. My daughter was with me, and imagine my feelings when she and I entered the identical rooms in which my mother and I had heard the first outcries of the great war."

It was three years after Mr. Bullitt had decided to enter the diplomatic field that he obtained a position in the Department of State as an expert on Germany and Austria-Hungary. In the interval he had been a reporter on the Philadelphia Public Ledger serving as a correspondent both in Washington and abroad. But it was not until the close of the war that he was really introduced to the wiles of diplomacy.

He accompanied President Wilson to the Peace Conference in Paris, where he became Chief of the Division of Current Intelligence of the American Delegation, and was sent on a secret mission to Lenin in an effort to secure terms which would make the Russians acceptable to the European nations as members of the Peace Conference.

The mission was successful in Russia, but the negotiations came to naught. Young Bullitt, disgusted with the Treaty of Versailles, resigned from the Department of State, and in a scathing letter to President Wilson predicted with prophetic vision what would result from our adherence to the treaty.

He returned to America and caused a sensation when he declared before a Senate Investigating Committee that Robert Lansing, then Secretary of State, had told him that he thought the treaty was "pretty bad."

Comparatively little was heard from Mr. Bullitt thereafter until Franklin Delano Roosevelt was elected President. He had published one novel, travelled in Europe, and studied the private papers of many statesmen with a view to discovering the primary causes of the war.

He was in Europe shortly before Mr. Roosevelt's inauguration, and he was sent there for the purpose of discussing war debts. The charge proved ridiculous. After Mr. Roosevelt became President Mr. Bullitt was appointed Special Assistant to the Secretary of State, and in that capacity was chosen executive officer of the American Delegation to the World Economic Conference in London. In November, 1933, he went to Moscow.

In comparing America and foreign countries it is frequently asserted that the only men who can succeed in the political life of a democratic country are those sufficiently stupid to perceive the truth only one day before the public perceives it, or those who are intelligent enough to perceive the truth months before the public

perceives it, and are sufficiently cynical to keep their mouths shut until the public is ready to agree with them.

"There is, in my opinion, a third type of statesman who succeeds in the crises of democracy. That is the man who perceives the truth far in advance of his compatriots and knows better than they themselves the unrevealed desires of their hearts, who dares to speak the truth when he perceives it and take the consequences. Men like this are the leaders. Sometimes they are called radical."

"Some people, no doubt, regarding some of the things which Mr. Roosevelt has said and done, have felt he is radical. He is radical as the pioneers who dared our wilderness and as the founders of our nation were. He is of exactly the same quality, the same fiber and the same blood as the men who signed the Declaration of Independence and who wrote the Constitution of the United States. He is simply applying to the problems of to-day the old spirit of the fathers of our country. He perceived the truth in advance of his compatriots. He dared to act upon it. He had a plan. And the plan worked."

HONG KONG AND THE CORONATION

Souvenir Programmes From England

The Coronation Publicity Subcommittee has decided that the channels to be used for informing the public of both local and Empire coronation celebrations would be the Press, the Broadcast, and the Hong Kong Travel Association. All three have expressed their willingness to afford all possible assistance free of charge.

Some discussion took place regarding the suggested production of a Souvenir programme of the local celebrations. The suggestion was, however, discarded as it was ascertained that King George's Jubilee Trust will place on sale in all countries copies of the official Souvenir Programme of His Majesty's coronation. This will be on sale in Hong Kong bookshops about three weeks before the coronation.

The Programme will bear the Royal Coat of Arms in Colour and will consist of 32 pages. It will contain a special message from the King to the Empire and the full text of the Coronation Service together with an introduction to the Service by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The contents will include a special photograph of His Majesty and of other members of the Royal Family, Coronation verses by the Poet Laureate, an article entitled "The King's Majesty" by John Driskwater, a short story of the King's life, and an explanatory article on the Coronation Ceremony and the Procession.

Relay of Ceremony
The Hong Kong Broadcasting Station hope to be able to relay the ceremony from Westminster Abbey and the possession of a copy of this Programme will enable listeners to follow the Service word for word. The public are therefore advised to order their copy from their bookellers now in order that a sufficient quantity may be obtained in time from England.

In addition to the relaying of as much as possible of the actual ceremony the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station will also arrange a special local coronation programme.

The Hong Kong Travel Association will take steps to inform all likely visitors to the Colony of what they may expect to see and hear.

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(From Our Own Correspondent)
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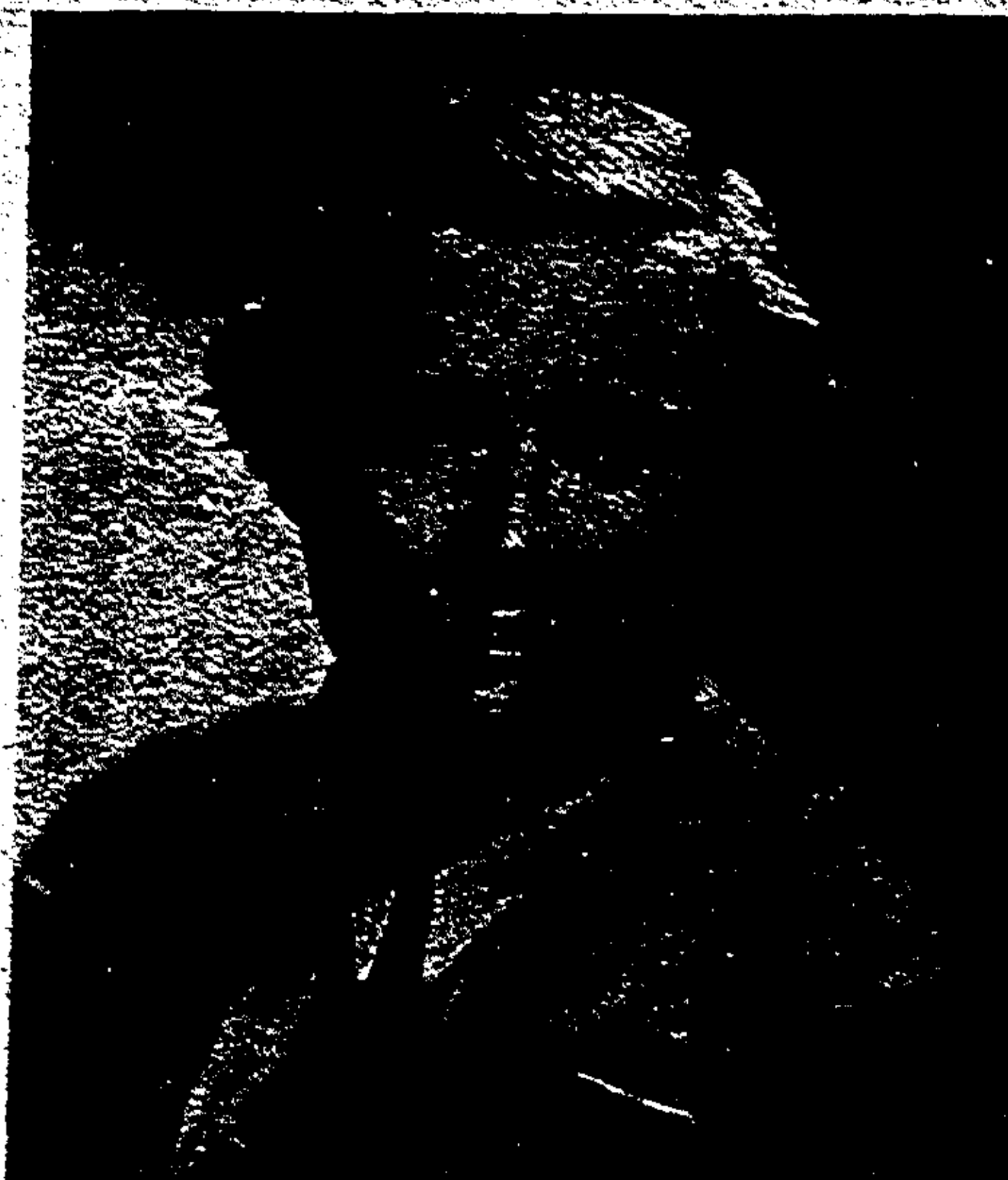
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ful romance. They are both "fair," if you like. Although, strictly speaking, Ruby is a "brownette." They both use a blondeen shade of rouge and vermillion lipstick but Joan's powder is olive and Ruby's is rachelle. Now if they both used that vermillion lipstick in the same way the results would not be half so interesting!

You see, Ruby has a sweet, rather sad little mouth. She makes it up right to the very corners and curves her lower lip generously. Joan, on the other hand, has a laughing, slightly large mouth, with the lower lip a trifle more full than the upper one. So she doesn't bring the lipstick quite to the edges and she darkens the upper lip a fraction more than the lower one to make it seem as full.



you by because you let it. Because you are not paying attention to the little things. It is not the big issues that kill romance, it's the tiny ones! Like everyday untidiness such as bad make-up.

Live up to the best that is in you. That's the secret. And I'm going to show you how to do it.

First of all, really study your features. No other human being on earth has exactly the same facial contours. Remember that. There may be a superficial resemblance, yes. But never try to emphasize it. The two greatest assets to beauty are to feel it within yourself—you've got to believe that you're beautiful and charming—and be strictly individual.

Now take Ruby Keeler and John Blondell, for example. Two girls who have not only won stardom but found wonder-

Then there's the matter of eyes. It's true they both have blue eyes, but if Joan were to wield an eyebrow pencil in the same manner as Ruby she would look practically pop-eyed. The gorgeous Blondell orbs are very big. They require very little accenting. A touch of eyelash make-up on the outer lashes, an eyebrow pencil drawn lightly just above the lashes of the upper lid—that suffices. In order not to make them appear too round, she extends the line with the eyebrow pencil to the outer corner of the eye and blends it into a faint shadow.

Wide-awake, flashing, mesmerizing eyes—Joan's. Ruby's are those of a little dreamer. Notice the difference in shape. Wisely, she draws a fine line immediately below the lashes of the lower lid and softens it with her fingertip until it is a mere shading.

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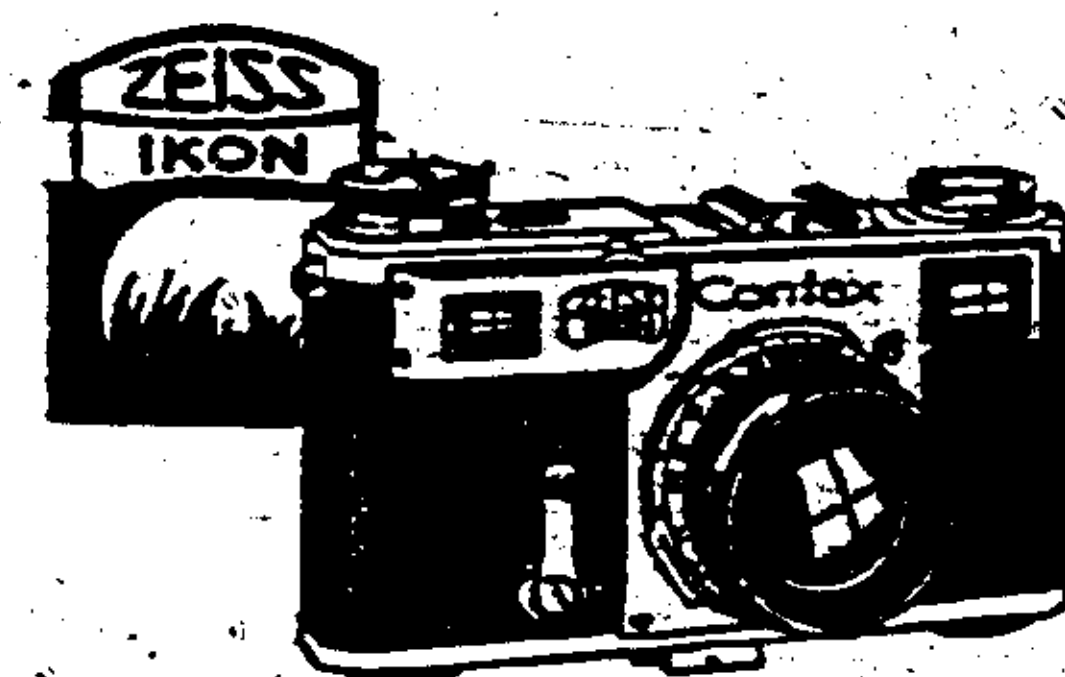


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SARAH HOWE was puzzled. Try as she might, she could make neither head nor tail out of it. There he was, bending over the zinnias, loosening the earth about their roots, and tying up the marigolds that had bent under the weight of their blossoms. At breakfast she had complained of never having time to tend them, and there he was, moving awkwardly, every once in a while painfully straightening his back or wiping his forehead on the sleeve of his old seaman's jacket. It certainly was "beyond her." Then there was last night when he had insisted on wiping the dishes. That, of all things, "Sakes alive, no, Cap'n Pratt, and you a boarder!" But he had stood there, determined, as different a man from the one who came to them six years ago as ever you could see.

At first she hadn't wanted to take him. It didn't seem regular somehow to take a boarder and get no pay for it until after he was dead. But Sam had figured it all out. "That's business, Sarah. We take a chance of losing and so does he. But it looks to me like the odds are against him. Them sea-dogs go fast on land." That was what she hadn't liked, calculating the time of his death. But finally she had given in, and Cap'n Pratt had made a will turning over to Sam his insurance policy of \$5,000 with the agreement that Sam was to give him his living and supply him with clothes and tobacco.

Time after time in the weeks following his arrival Sarah had examined the policy, taking it from its security in the tin box where Sam kept his tax receipts and the certificate of their marriage. But each time she had put it away guiltily, despising herself and thinking that after all they shouldn't have taken him. It was keeping her mind on covetousness.

"If only he was paying us regular, even no more than three dollars a week. And suppose he should die sudden and leave us all that money, us being no kin. Yet somehow," she added slowly, "I can't keep my mind off'n the things we could have—a sun porch, a bay window and maybe a new barn." Her voice changed guiltily. "There now, you see, Sam, what it's doing to us." This was during the first month he had been with them. Then he had acted like any other boarder. But that hadn't lasted long.

Sarah had done her best to please him. It had been hard.

During all the six years he had been there, hardly a day passed but that he raised some rumpus or other. Generally it was about the food. "Women!" he would mutter scornfully. "Women can't cook!" Yet he ate twice as much as Sam did. It was as much as she could do to keep him filled. He complained, too, of his room. "No air! No air!" he would grunt and bellow long after they had gone to bed in the little room where they had moved so that he could have the spare. Those times she thought grimly of the \$5,000. Not if he should die to-morrow, she shouldn't feel a pang of guilt—not one.

So night after night, deafening themselves to his snores and his curses, they had begun to plan. "What will you buy first, Sam?" It had been a yame with them. A barn or a tractor, sometimes an electric cook stove or a motor car. Such talk! And they had gone laughing to sleep.

And now all of a sudden he had changed. It had been more than a week since he had refused Sam's tobacco, saying that he wasn't going to smoke any more. Yet Sarah had watched his eager eyes and his nostrils twitching when Sam lighted up his pipe. She had figured a while on that, but she couldn't make it out. Then Saturday Sam had brought him home a new summer jacket and he had put on a regular scene.

"Take it back," he had shouted. "Mine's good for ten years yet."

So there he was now, sweating in the sun with that hot seaman's coat over his underwear. There he was, weeding the zinnias. And last night he had wiped the dishes. It was too much for her.

After supper she went to the barn and talked to Sam about it.

"Does it make sense to you, Sam? To-night I said that I needed some baking powder for biscuits for breakfast, so as to make sure he'd go to the store and not touch the dishes. And what do you know, he was back before you'd finished the milking and never stopped a minute. Thank goodness I was done, even to the sink. Then he filled the wood-box. It kind of troubles me, Sam."

"Maybe he's got religion," Sam replied.



Cap'n Pratt, Boarder

by VIRGINIA LOWELL CHASE

... During all the six years he had been Sarah's boarder, hardly a day passed but that he raised some rumpus or other... But one day he was quiet...

"I'd thought of that. But he swears worse than ever since he's stopped smoking, and remember how he took on when you brought home that coat."

"Well, he's getting old, I guess—must be near seventy-five. He won't last much longer, I'm thinking."

"Sam!" Sarah cried sharply. "Don't say such things! It bothers me now he's getting so sort of civil-like. And you might as well take that coat back to Snow's store and cross it off his account. I can tell you now he'll never wear it."

The next day after dinner Sam started to town to deposit the egg money. A few months more and they would have enough for a new roof on the barn. When he left, Sarah thought it would be a good time to wash out the floor of the shed, and Cap'n Pratt hung around the porch and yard, going out of his way to be obliging. Twice he took the pail away from her on the way from the well, slopping water all over his feet, his body tottering so that she was afraid he would never make the steps. But she couldn't say anything. There was something about him that made you just walk in back, sort of stupid-like.

No more had she finished than the colt got loose, Sam's prize colt, the only thing he had to exhibit at the county fair. Sarah, hot and breathless, finally got her beaded into the pasture and put up the bars. Still she worried about her some. It would be dark when Sam got home, and she shouldn't stay in there all night. It looked like rain. About sundown Sarah decided to take some corn in the nose bag and try her luck at catching her. When she left, Cap'n Pratt was asleep on the porch in the old red rocker, but she had hardly reached the hollow when she heard him shouting in back of her. She waited, wishing he hadn't come. He would be no help unless to hold the feed.

It was getting dusk when they found the colt. Sarah could have done it more quickly alone, for she had to delay for Cap'n Pratt, every few minutes picking a handful of blueberries to give him a chance to keep up. The colt, frightened, had hidden among the alders. Sarah called coaxingly, holding the halter behind her. Cap'n Pratt held the corn. But the strangeness of dusk and the colt's suspicions of the old man who had never before offered her kindness, made her back steadily as they advanced. So they gave that up and Sarah held the corn. That worked better. Slowly the colt came forward, smelled and ate, Sarah's hand caressing her mane. But when Cap'n Pratt tried to slip on the halter, she turned, terrified, kicking up her long legs, knocking him sharply backward among the bushes.

How Sarah got him home she couldn't afterwards understand. The moon had not come up, and half of the time she couldn't figure out the path ahead of her. She hadn't thought, big as she was, that she could carry any man, and she couldn't get over how those thin legs felt dangling against her. Sam met them at the bars. He had missed the colt and figured Sarah had gone to get her. When she shifted the old man over to Sam, they looked quickly at one another, shocked by the lightness of his weight.

Sarah got him in bed. He moaned a little, but aside from that made no complaint until he heard the doctor's voice in the kitchen. Then he went into a regular spell and uttered oaths so terrible that Sarah fled in confusion to the parlour. The minute she was out of the room, somehow or other he got out of bed and locked the door. No amount of talk from Sam or the doctor could bring forth anything but silence. When they gave up, Sarah tried, and finally he let her in, but only after she had promised to send the doctor away. Ungraciously he let her tend him, and the doctor left, exasperated. These seamen were the very devil when they got old.

Luckily there were no bones broken and no infection. Yet somehow after that he was never quite the same. He didn't eat well and went into a tantrum when Sam brought home a bottle of tonic.

"Fifty cents," he raged, "fifty cents for a bottle of bitters! Throw it to the pigs. I'll take none of your swill!"

Sarah found him more of a problem than ever. What could a body do with a man like that? He was hungry, yet he wouldn't eat. What worried her most was that he wouldn't let her change his bed. "Ain't you got washing enough to do?" he would mutter, and every day he made his bed so that she could not see the soiled blankets. Then he took to putting around the kitchen. No matter how early she would get up, he was there first and had built the fire, limping out for the kindling and stumbling up the steps to the kitchen. She gave up trying to figure it out.

Now that he stayed so much in the house he was real company for her, and goodness knows he tried to help. Sometime

his lame foot resting on the shelf of the oven, he told her of foreign lands, of Hong Kong, rising white out of its land-locked harbour, or mud-soaked ricefields, of the ivory markets of Panga, of Constantinople, its water vendors (selling water—fancy that!), its houses pink, blue, lavender—she couldn't get over it. Of Sicily he told her. Houses covered with grape-vines. Houses from whose steps you could watch the sun-splashed sea. And she would listen enthralled until Sam came in for dinner. A good husband, Sam, but not much of a talker.

One day Cap'n Pratt started to sing. Opera. He had heard it in Germany. That was the place for you. Those were the people. They knew how to live. Music. Real farming. Good beer. They were none of your bloodless English or your blasted, sneaky Wops. They lived and they lived honest. Mountains. He could show her. And shadows of mountains. Why, in those quiet Alpine lakes one was as clear as the other. The mountain and the shadow. You could hardly tell them apart. Volcanoes. Hadn't she ever heard of Vesuvius? Hadn't she heard of Pompeii, a whole city buried under ashes? People like him and her once, sitting in the kitchen or rocking the baby or sleeping, maybe. Then covered up with no time to know what happened. It took her breath away. She could hardly believe it. She who had spent her whole life working on a rocky farm in Maine. She who had never seen a mountain. Not a real one. Carter's Hill didn't count. Not 'side of the Alps.

Best of all she liked to hear of the Mediterranean. Blue. No, he couldn't tell her the shade. Not the sky on August noons. Not the waters in the cove, even on the clearest days. Not the blue of her delphinium or of larkspur. Mediterranean blue. There was nothing like it. Even on the chart some paint company sent to Sam, Cap'n Pratt could not match it. Deeper than that. More lively than that. Mediterranean blue. White birds above it and a salmon-coloured sky.

When the winter catalogues came around, Sarah decided that she would give him a Christmas present. She never had before, but this year she felt kind of like doing it. It didn't take her long to figure out what he needed. A bathrobe. His old one was worn to threads. Solid colour, that was best. All Wool. Colours: Black, Brown, Blue, Navy, Cadet, or Mediterranean. She drew her breath. She couldn't believe it. Yet here it was: Mediterranean blue.

Once she had given the order blank to the rural delivery man, she could hardly wait until the package should come. It had been years since she'd been so fluttery about anything. Suppose they were all out of Mediterranean and had to send navy. Suppose it was not Mediterranean after all but just a cheap imitation. Then wouldn't it have been better never to have ordered it? Shouldn't she maybe send a card and ask them to change it to navy and never tell him about it at all? No, let it come. She would open it first and take out the name. Then if he called it Mediterranean blue, she would tell him. If he didn't, he would never know. Anyway, it was probably too late to change the order. But wouldn't brown have been more sensible? What had Mediterranean blue to do with farmhouse kitchens? Where did she get her crazy ideas from anyway? What was there about a colour to get so worked up about? And then it came. Not navy, not brown,

but blue. Not the colour of the larkspur, not of the china dish on the what-not in the parlour, not of the sky or of the cove. She had never seen it before, but she knew it. A sweep of blue against the shining oilcloth of the kitchen table—Mediterranean blue. Tensely she unfolded it. It was as though she had reached the heavens and handled them. Mediterranean blue. And she, Sarah Howe, held it in her hands.

But it all turned out so badly. White as a sheet he was, when she gave him the box. First when he said nothing and didn't make a move she thought he'd had a stroke and jumped toward him, but he pushed her aside roughly, letting the box crash to the floor, and stumbled out of the kitchen. Then he locked himself in his room and spoiled the day for all of them.

Downstairs from the parlour, they could hear him barging about above them, pulling at the furniture, grunting as he worked.

At last about supper time he came down limping, staggering under a load of blankets. From now on he was going to sleep in the barn, he said. He wouldn't give them any reason. Just stuck to it. Then Sarah put her foot down. She wasn't going to stand for any more foolishness. It was her house and she had something to say about how things were run. And it was about time. Like it or not, from now on he was going to listen to her. He would sleep in his own bed, and what was more, she was going to change the blankets.

"What would the neighbours think?" she asked him. "A man worth \$5,000 sleeping in the barn. Whoever heard the like?"

Then without a word he went back to his room and sat as meek as a lamb while Sarah changed the bedding. He wouldn't say why he had pushed the furniture back the way it was when he came, nor would he eat any supper. Just turned his face to the wall and lay there. When Sarah left she said: "Now, no more of this nonsense. You're all tired out and shaking. Who could ever get well anyway, I'd like to know, in blankets as dirty as these? And then he laughed, an ugly kind of laugh, and answered: "Who wants me to get well, anyhow? A man with \$5,000."

So that was what he thought. That they wanted his money. It had been months since she had opened the black tin box. Months since she had thought of the new tractor. The blue of the Mediterranean and the grape-vined houses of Constantinople had crowded them from her mind. Even the sun porch and the bay window had vanished in the white glow of Hong Kong. She would figure and make Sam give him back all of the money that wasn't theirs by right. Then he could pay them by the week as she had wanted him to do in the first place. She would know that what he thought wasn't true.

She explained it all to Sam at supper. Six years' board would be \$1500. Then the expense book showed his clothes and tobacco to have been \$500. That would leave \$3,000 that was still his. Sam was to get the egg money out of the savings. It would take it all, but he was to do it. Then he was to make over to Cap'n Pratt the corner pasture lot and tell him that from now on he was to pay them by the week. Sam didn't understand it right away. But he would do it, he said, if she thought it was honest. He would tell him to-night and see to putting the money in his name the next time he went to town. She hurried him through his supper. She wanted it over with and off her mind.

She had finished cleaning up, and still Sam had not come out. It was taking him time enough. He was probably burbling. Sam meant well, but he was blunt-like. Over her arm she laid the bathrobe. She wasn't going to let her feelings get hurt over the way Cap'n Pratt had acted. He was old, and he had something on his mind. As she went into the room, Sam was sitting by the lamp reading aloud out of the account book. Cap'n Pratt lay motionless. A glance told her that he was dead.

"Did he hear, Sam, about the money? Did he know?"

"He knew all right, Sarah. But when I tried to tell him about the egg money he turned his head away. Then he made me read it all out loud to him. Everything that we'd bought and what it cost. I couldn't see he was failing, so I kept right on reading."

It was a week after the funeral that the letter from the insurance company came. It was addressed to Sam. As Sarah walked up the lane toward the shed holding it in her hand, she thought with quiet satisfaction of the new barn and the sun porch and a cook stove, too, may be. Only it would be kind of lonesome there in the kitchen with no one to talk to her while she worked.

Slowly Sam tore open the envelope, and read aloud: "No payment has been made on Policy No. 7625864 for the past seven and one-half years. Thus we are sorry to report that Captain Pratt has defrauded you. We regret to have been even innocently associated with his guilt." He paused. Sometimes it took Sam a long while to get the point. He was slowlike, was Sam. Finally he spoke. "Don't that seem sort of strong to you, Sarah? After all," he added, "I can't see that he took nothing. Just stayed with us for a spell."

If Sarah heard, she did not answer. She was thinking of something else.

"That egg money will buy as fine a stone as any in the graveyard. But I've been trying to figure out what to put on it; he lying in the family lot, yet his name being different and all. It ought to be something to show he sort of belonged even if he was no kin." Her face brightened. "I know, Sam. We'll just put Cap'n Pratt—Boarder on the stone. You see Lem Caudage about it to-day."



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A charming picture of Miss N. Lopes, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lopes, of Kowloon.—Rialto Studio.



A group photograph of a recent meeting of Chinese motion picture directors.



Mrs. A. Mylo, wife of the well-known local architect, with her baby daughter.—Rialto Studio.



Sir Francis Cyril Rose, the well-known artist-baronet, who is staying at the Hong Kong Hotel for a few weeks.

I would like to know...

... who the buxom matron was who, coming out of the King's Theatre after seeing "Little Lord Fauntleroy," exclaimed to an accompanying buxom matron: "I was tremendously moved! I think I broke both shoulder straps!"

... who the fashionable lady of the world is of whom it is said that she moves in the best triangles.

... who the stout and haughty dame was who walked into the Clover Flower-

shop the other day and demanded imperiously: "What have you that is out of season?"

... who the spinster is who, getting on in years, is making frantic efforts to catch her man and of whom it is said that she hurls herself at every man's head. Evidently she knows it to be their weakest spot.

... who the other spinster is who says that she remained single by choice, but forgets to mention by whose choice.

... who the local belle is of whom gossip says that she

bleaches her hair but tries to keep it dark.

... who the lady is of whom a rather sharp-tongued friend remarked to another "good" friend:

"Did you know that E... believes in the supernatural?"

"Really? How do you know?"

"Well, she frequents all the beauty parlours in town!"

... who the gentleman is who said that he loves work. He says it fascinates him. He can sit hours and hours looking at it.

by The HEADHUNTER



Timothy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lees of Kowloon.—Rialto Studio.



Josephine and Edith, the two lovely children of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. V. Curtis, of Kowloon.—Rialto Studio.



Mr. "Jock" Gardner (left), who is to marry Miss S. Dalziel on February 3. The picture was taken at 11 1/2-mile beach.



A picture taken after the wedding at the Union Church on Friday of Mr. Paiman Li, son of Marshal Li Chai-sun, and charming Miss Ping-I Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ying Dore Lee.

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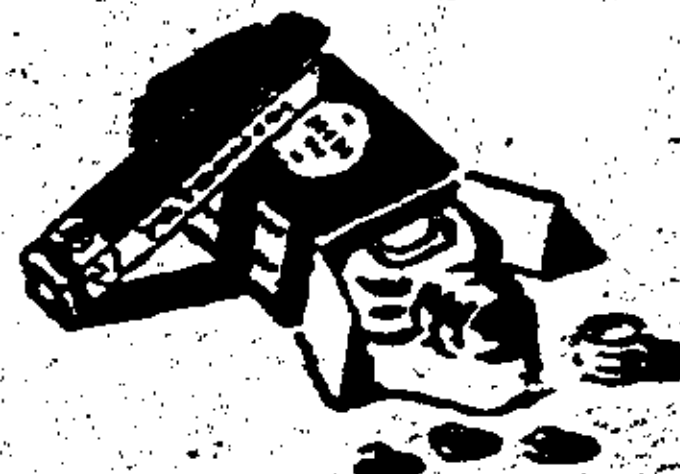
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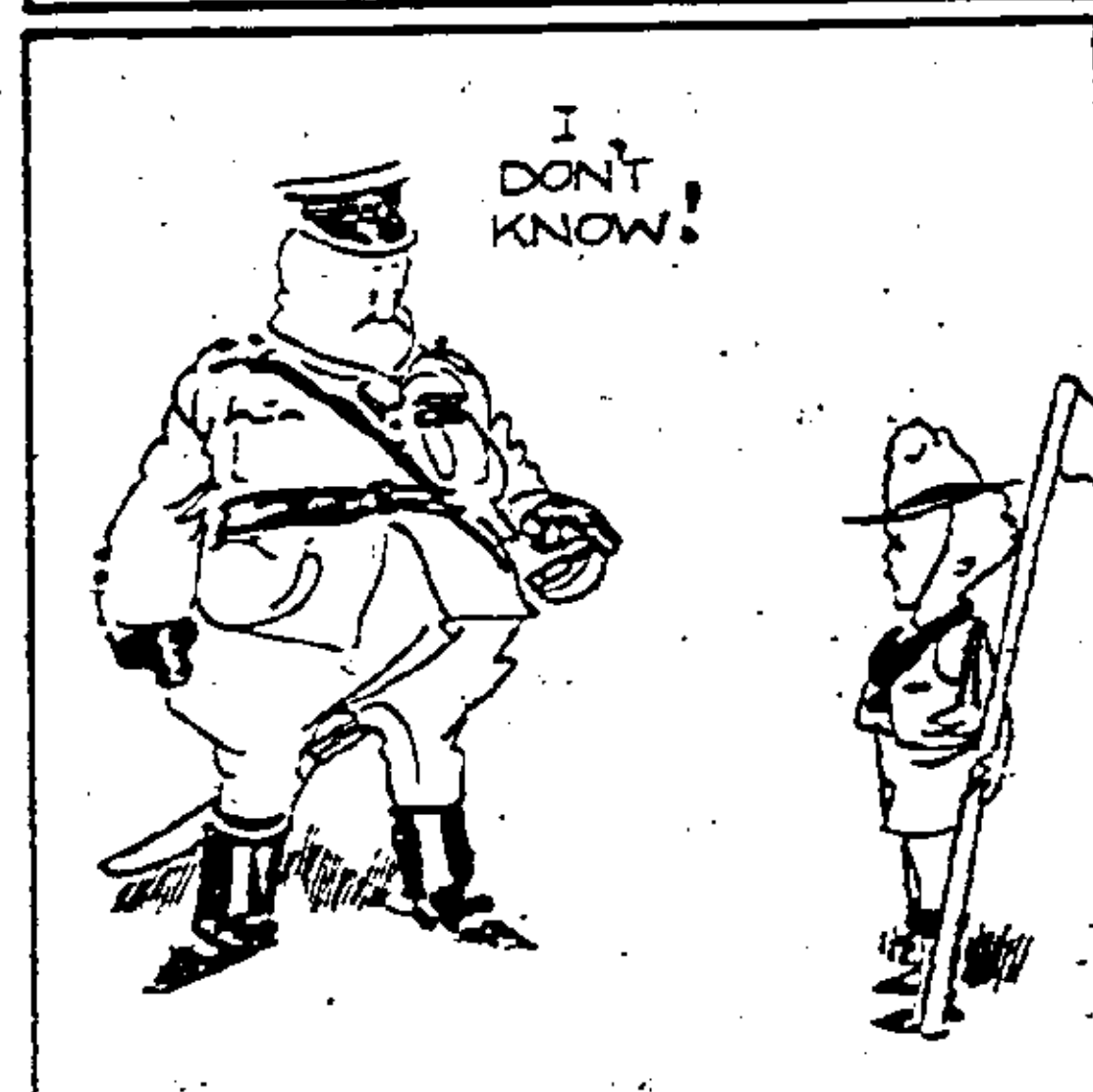
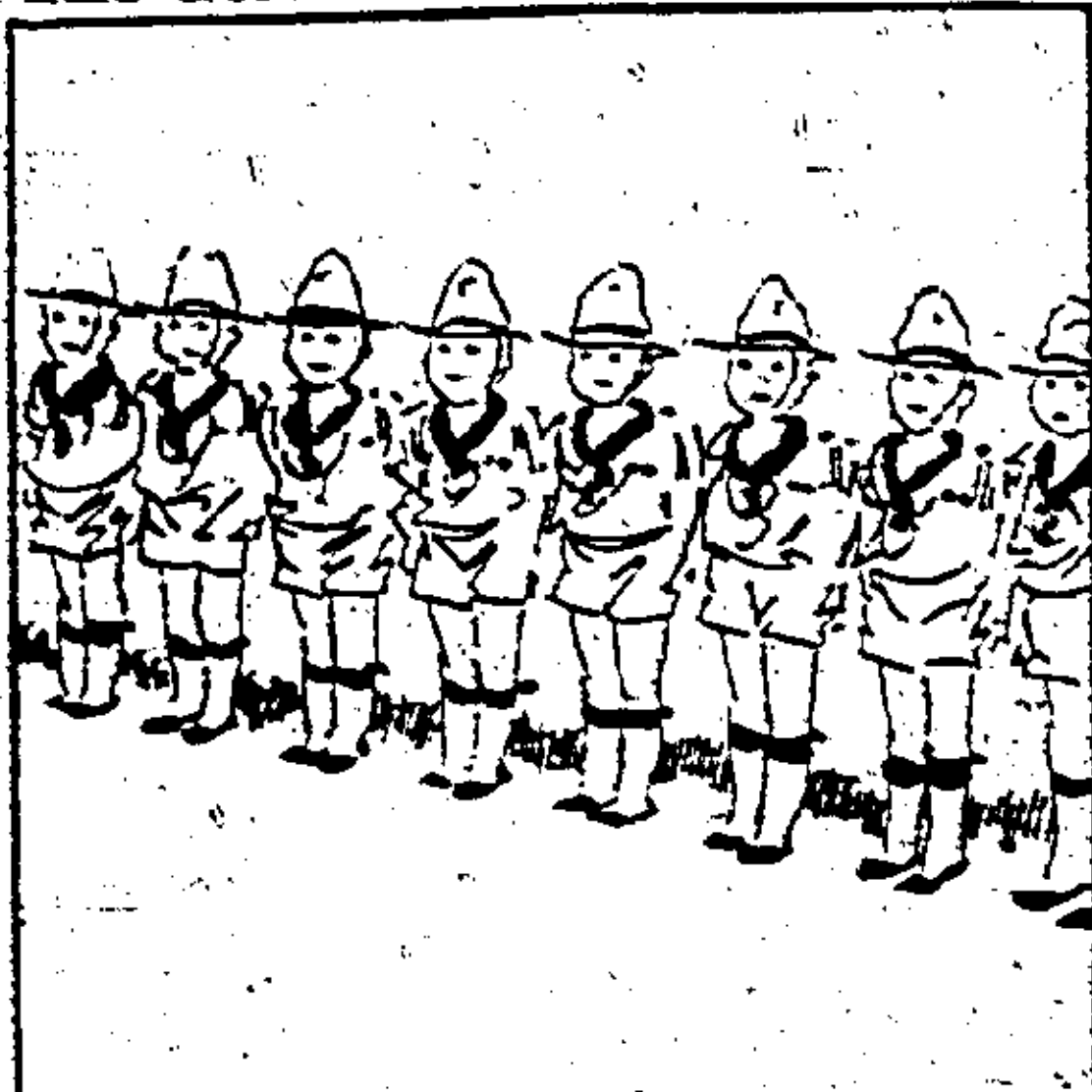


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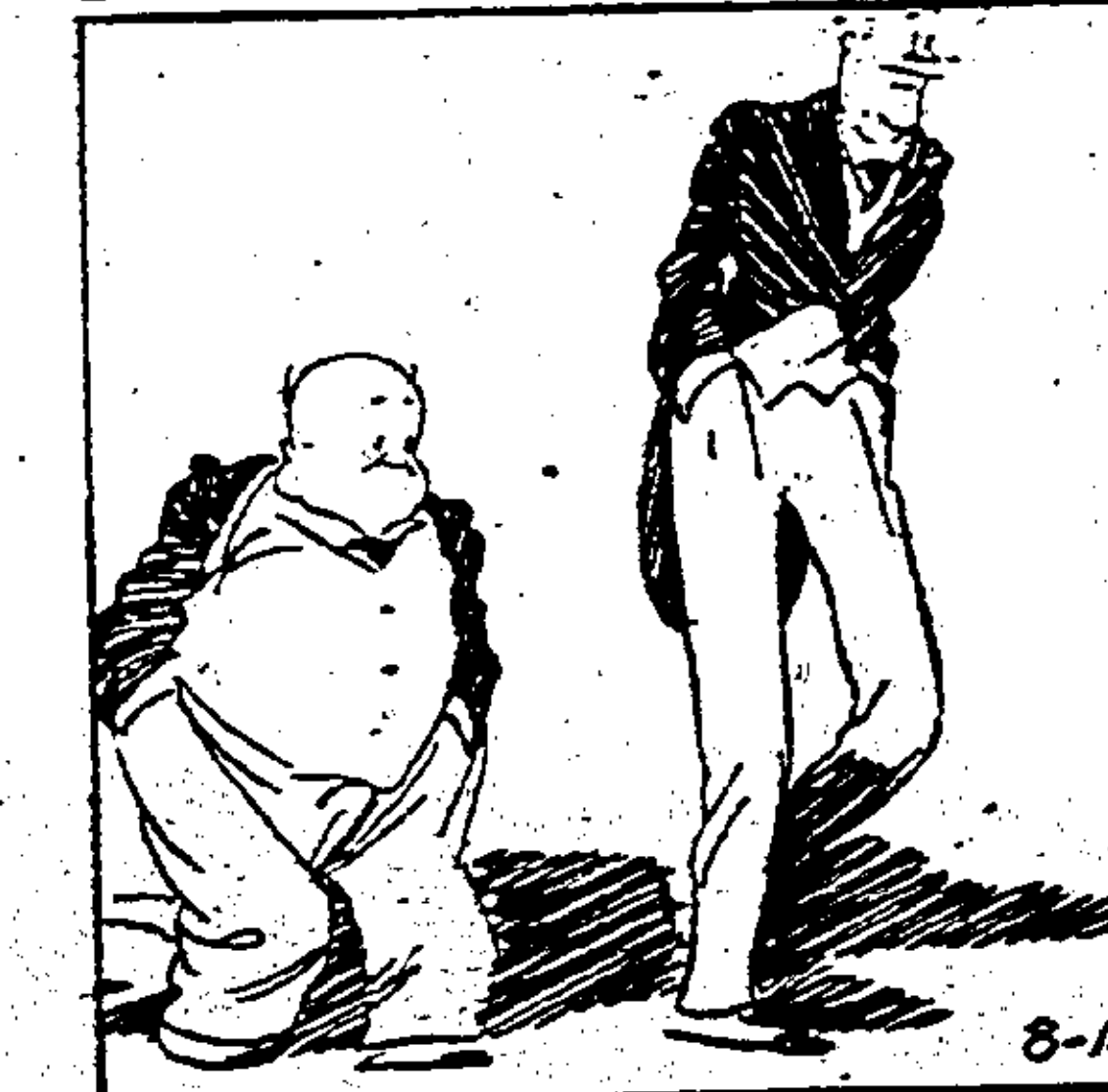
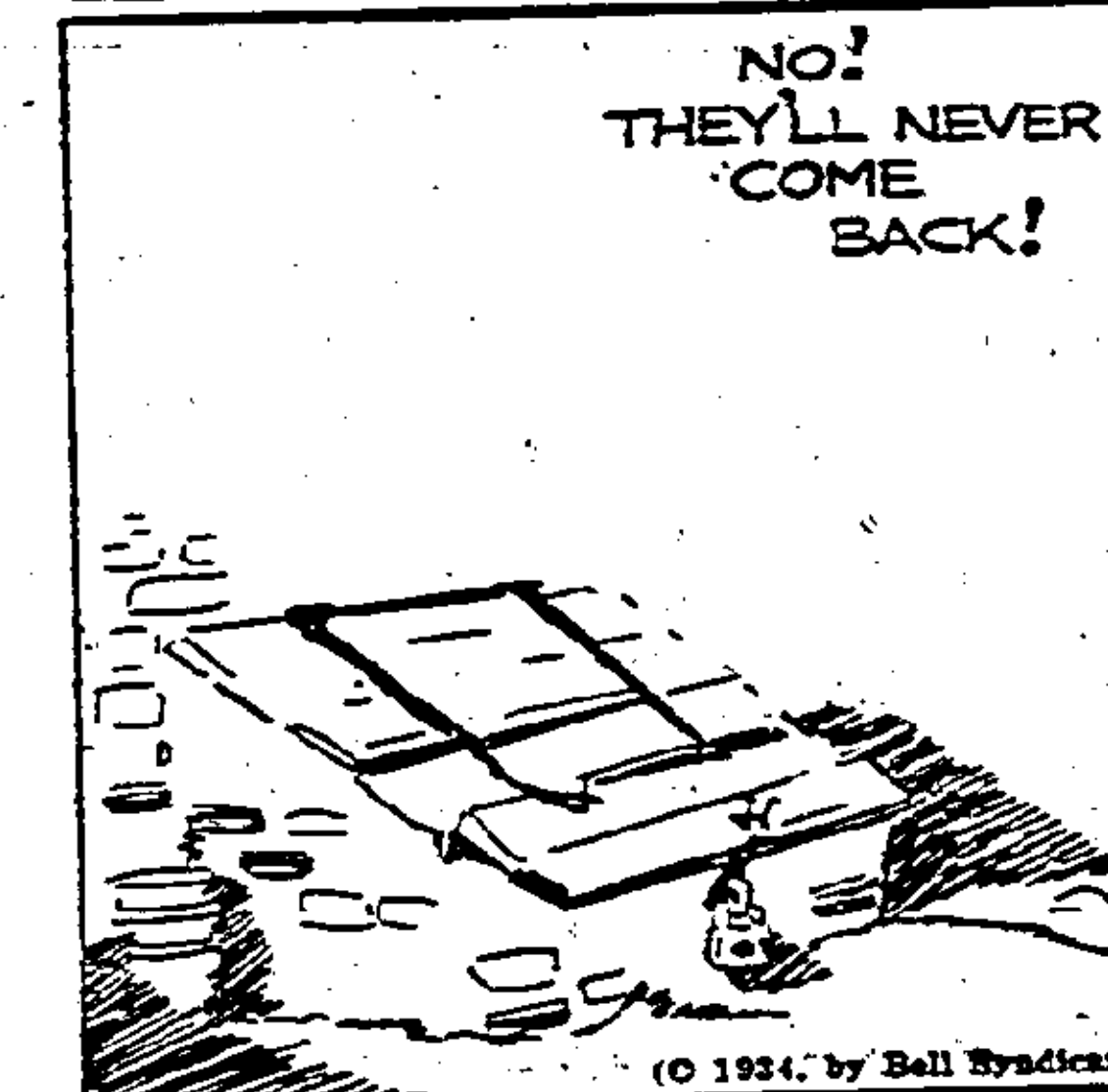
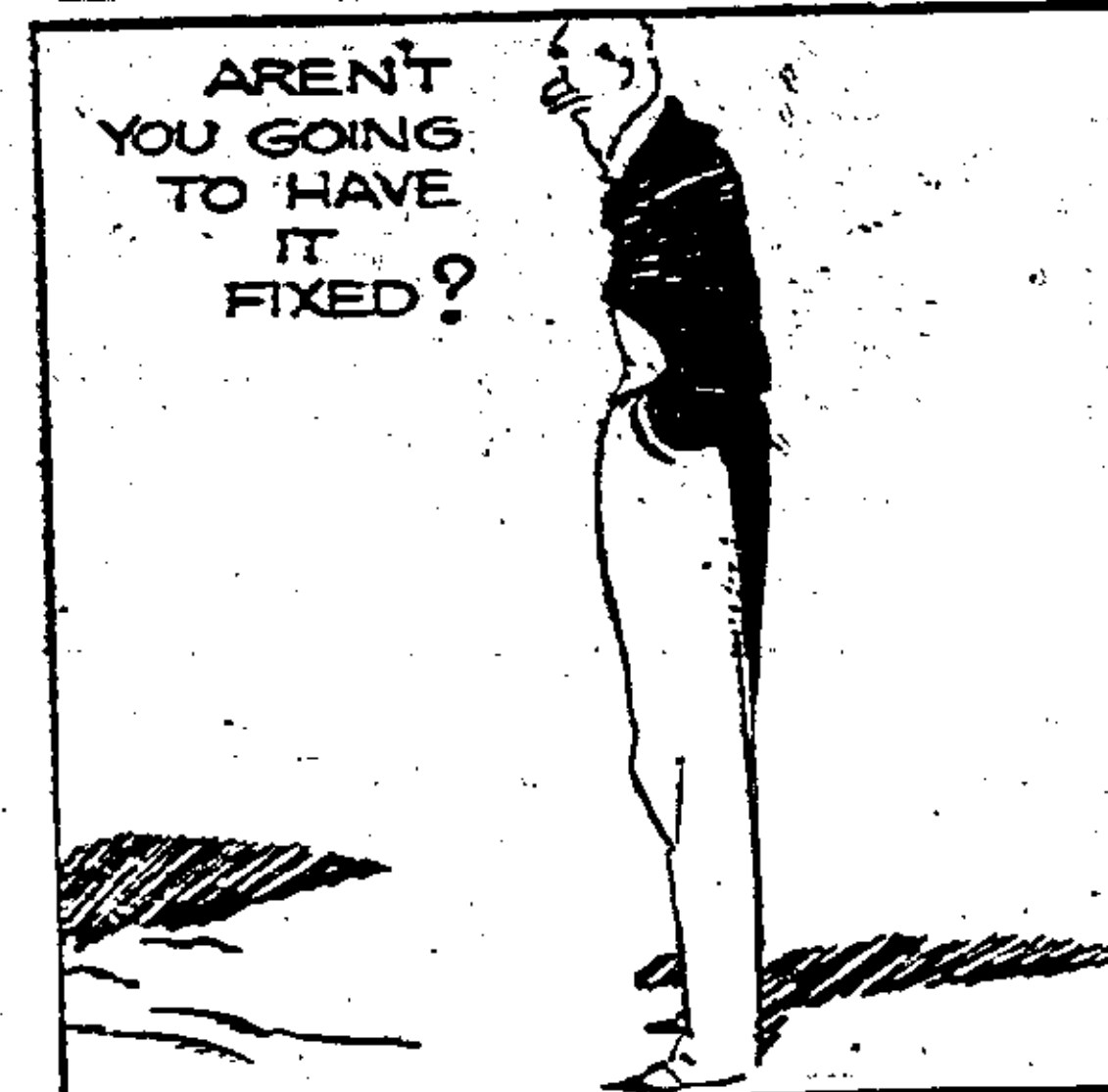
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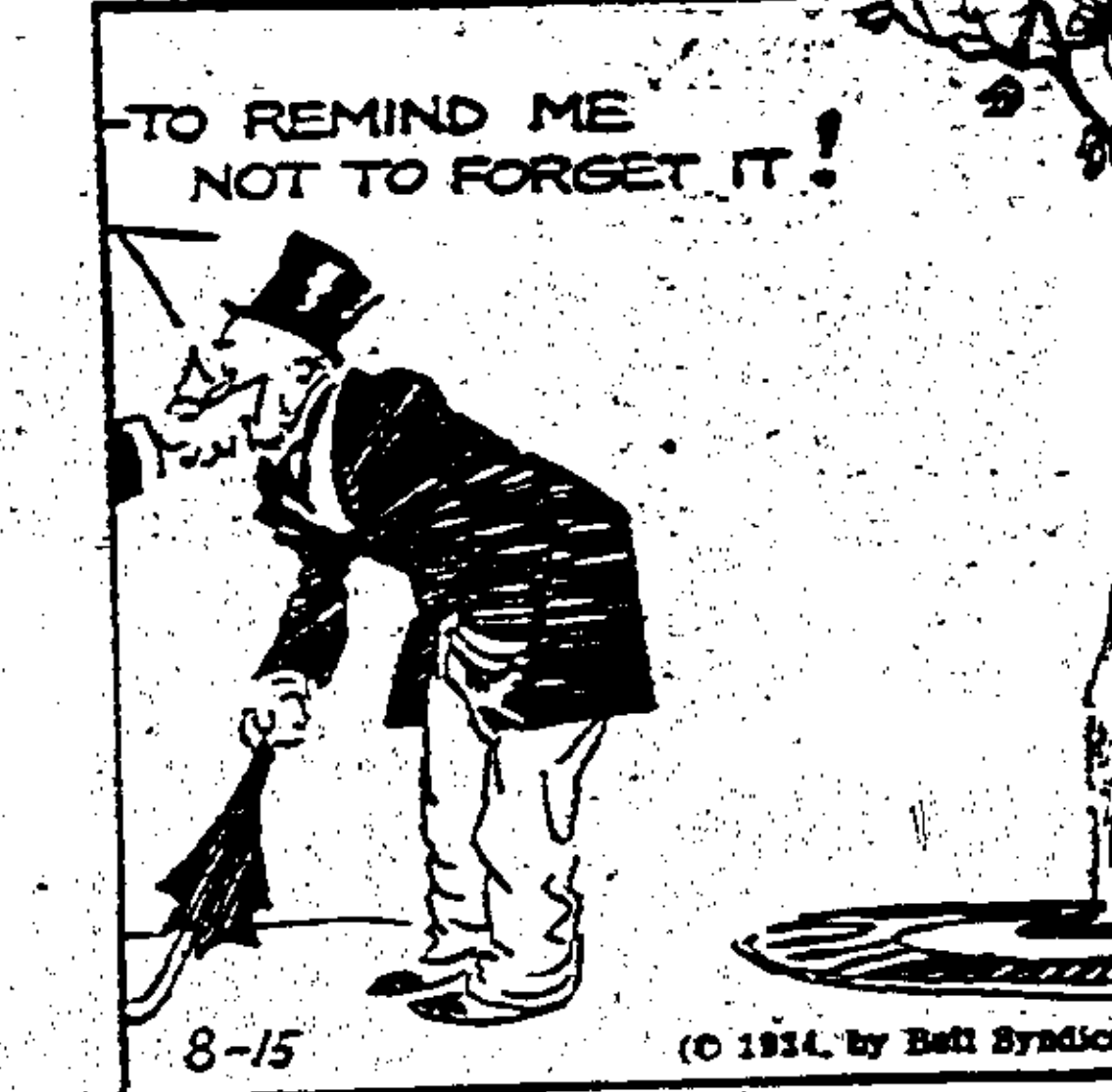
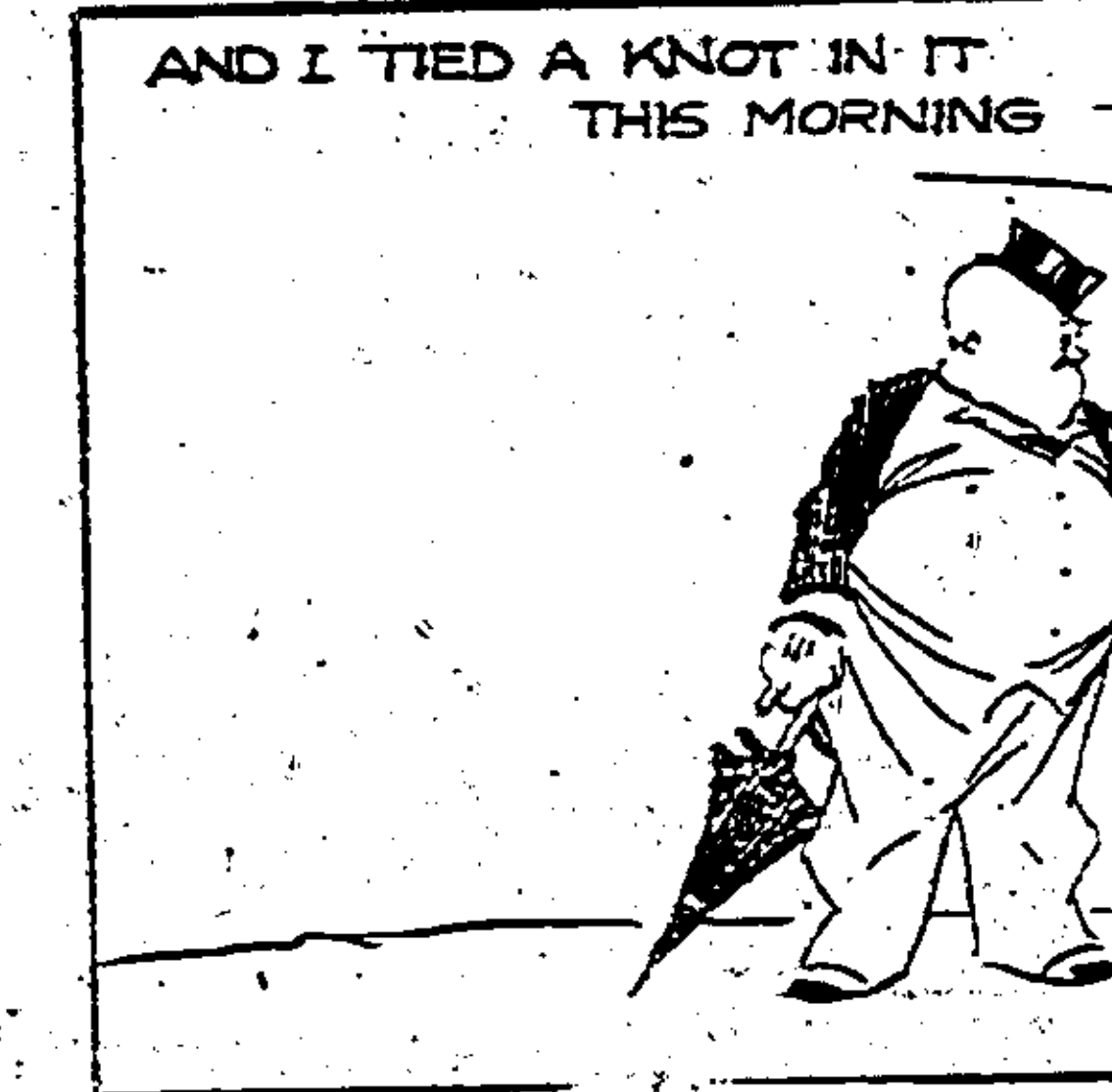
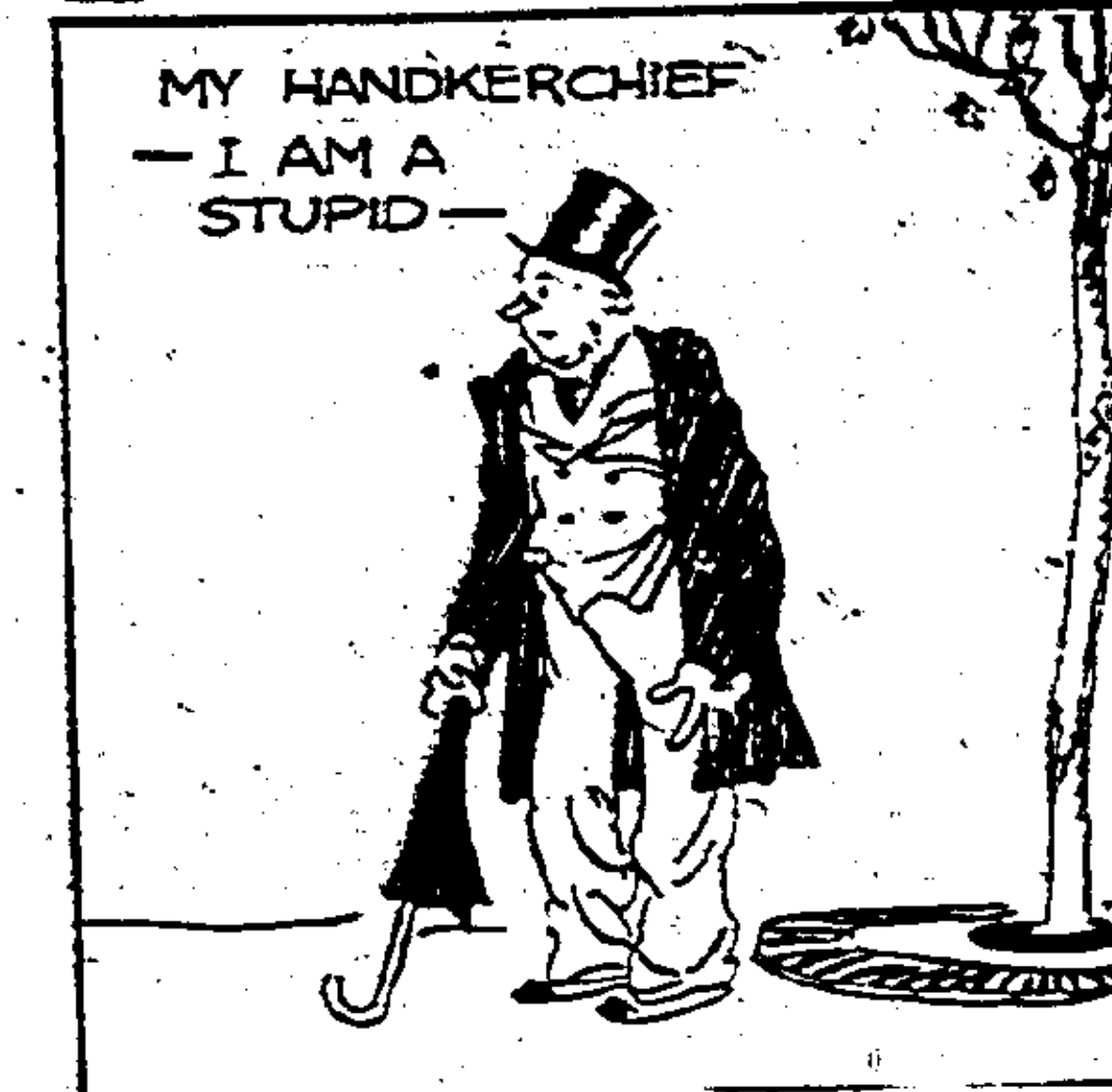
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Wine Gone — No Further Attraction



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HUMOR OF THE WEEK

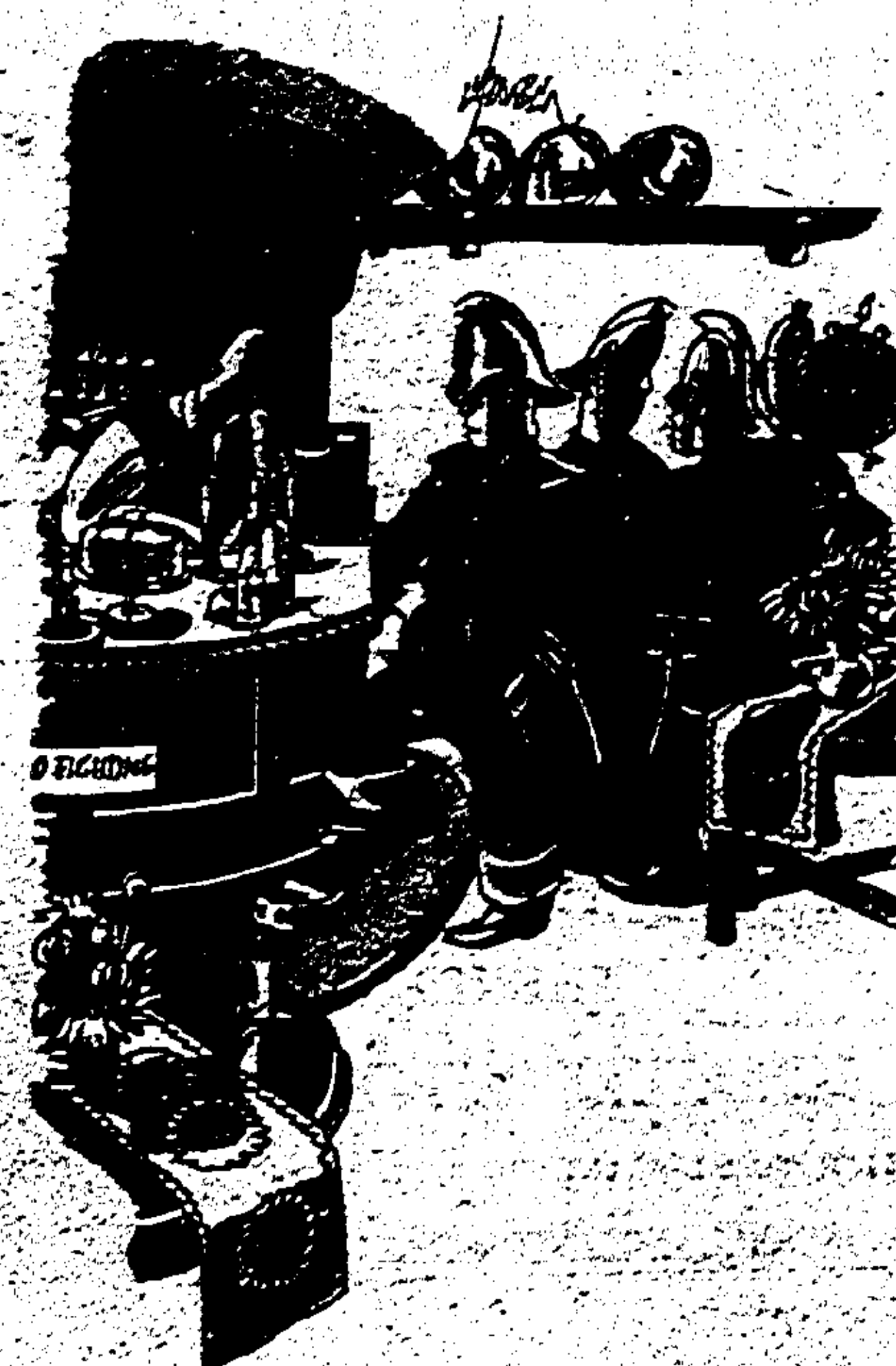


Above

"Begins to look her age, doesn't she?"
(Only For Men)

Left

"You're not out, I never will do my slimming exercises"
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"Four photos and back up, we're in a hurry!"
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U.S. GOVERNMENT AND STRIKE

LEANING ON SIDE OF LABOUR

WALL ST. VIEW

New York, To-day.

That the United States Government is leaning on the side of labour in the strike controversy is Wall Street's interpretation of the condemnation by the Secretary of Labour, Miss Frances Perkins, of the refusal of the General Motors Corporation to attend the strike peace conference.

Meanwhile, Mr. Alfred Sloan, President of the Corporation, has denied the allegations of Miss Perkins.

Stating that over 100,000 workers desired to return to work, Mr. Sloan, in the course of a statement addressed jointly to public and labor leaders, refuted the suggestion that the Corporation was responsible for the breakdown in the negotiations.

From Detroit comes a report stating that about 40,000 men have resumed work in ten General Motors plants which were closed down owing to the shortage of materials, and not by the strikes.—Reuter.

REGENCY BILL

Submitted To House Of Commons

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister yesterday presented a Bill in Commons to make provision for a Regency in the event of Sovereign, being on his or her accession under the age of 18 years and in the event of incapacity through illness.

The Bill provides also for the performance of certain Royal functions in the name and on behalf of the Sovereign in certain other events. It was read a first time.—British Wireless.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA INVITATION

British Government's Reply

London, To-day.

In reply to a question in the Commons, Viscount Cranborne, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government much appreciated the invitation extended by the Czechoslovak Government to send a British Military Officer to inspect their aerodromes.

They had, however, felt that it would be impossible for a member of His Majesty's Legation individually to carry out such an investigation and thus to intervene in a controversy between two Foreign States in which His Majesty's Government had no direct national concern.—British Wireless.

SHORT-WAVE RAYS FOR POPE

His Holiness Greatly Improved

Vatican City, To-day.

The Pope's condition still shows no change and he is enjoying a respite from the pains in his leg. His Holiness is consequently sleeping better and is feeling in brighter spirits.

During the course of the day the Pope underwent a successful treatment with short-wave electrical rays, which had been necessitated in consequence of defective circulation in his hands and shoulders.—Reuter.

DEATH OF MR. CHEN KA-YIAO

Leading Member Of Kuomintang

Mr. Chen Ka-yiao, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, passed away in Hong Kong at 10.10 last night at his residence at Leighton Hill Road, Happy Valley. Mr. Chen was 56 years old and is survived by a widow and a daughter.

MASS FLIGHT FROM MISSISSIPPI

PLAN FOR EVACUATION OF ENTIRE POPULATION OF VALLEY

FLOOD DEATH-ROLL NOW GROWING RAPIDLY

SCENES REMINISCENT OF THE EVACUATION OF BELGIUM DURING THE GREAT WAR WILL BE ENACTED IN THE AREAS DEVASTATED BY THE GREATEST FLOODS IN AMERICAN HISTORY IF THE SITUATION SHOWS FURTHER SIGNS OF IMPERILLING THE LIVES OF THOSE ALREADY HOMELESS.

President Roosevelt, determined to prevent a repetition of the havoc caused by the Ohio River flooding, has ordered the Army High Command to draw up an unprecedented plan for wholesale evacuation of the 100,000 square miles of the Mississippi Valley, which contains some of the world's richest cotton land, says Reuter.

A fleet of 35,000 lorries will be mobilized for removal of 500,000 inhabitants of the area who are now anxiously watching the waters of the Ohio River swell the Mississippi.

While engineers hope that a general evacuation will not prove necessary, they predict that the levees will not be able to hold out when the river reaches its peak, which can be expected in about a week's time.

TWO HUNDRED DEAD

The seriousness of the flood has been emphasized in London by the hurried sailing of the United States Ambassador, Mr. Robert Bingham, for his hometown of Louisville, which suffered severely from the floods.

The death-roll in Louisville alone is reported to be 200.

Mr. Bingham will fly from New York to the devastated town, where his wife, son and several grandchildren are living.

SANTANDER INCIDENT

Rebel Cruisers Exploit

Madrid, To-day.

Bad weather on the Madrid front has put a stop to all military operations there.

Small engagements are reported from the Escorial front but the position of two sides is unchanged.

The insurgent cruiser "Espana" boldly seized a Government coast patrol vessel yesterday at the entrance to the port of Santander.

A seaplane bombed the Government cruiser which replied with its anti-aircraft guns.—Reuter.

RECONSTRUCTION IN CHEUNG CHAU

New Buildings After The Fire

[From Our Own Correspondent]

To-day, Mr. E. J. Edwards will distribute the prizes at the Cheung chan Government School.

Considerable progress has been made in re-erecting the shops and houses which were burnt to the ground last September.

They are being built in a more substantial manner and with concrete stairways and higher. The street is also being widened and straightened. The houses, nearer the sea, are to be set back ten feet or more and we understand that several shops which were not affected by the fire will be compensated, if they remove their present frontages, so that a line may be made with the wide part of the market where a fire occurred many years ago.

The second story of No 2A had its roof laid yesterday.

Delay has been experienced in the erection of the pole to carry wires from the local power station to the houses on the East Bridge, but several houses have already been wired and another is to be done to-day.

Preparation for the Chinese New Year celebrations are in evidence, by the bakeries and New Year Cards in gay colours.

The old red paper card is quite a thing of the past.

Further improvements are being made on the hill roads. The Bund is also being extended along the Western front.

AMICABLE TRADE TALKS

RUNCIMAN VISIT TO WASHINGTON

GOOD PROSPECT OF FUTURE PACT

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the British Board of Trade, who is visiting the United States, yesterday had a further conference with Mr. Daniel Roper, the American Secretary of Commerce.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, subsequently announced that he and Mr. Runciman had discussed world trade in broad terms.

A statement was also issued by the British Embassy last night to the effect that further discussion is necessary before it can be determined whether a firm basis exists on which detailed negotiations will be possible for a reciprocal Anglo-American trade agreement.

The statement adds that Mr. Runciman exchanged views on various topics with President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull.—Reuter.

PROSPERITY IN BRITAIN

Index Of Retail Sales Revealed

London, To-day.

The money value of the retail trade sales reported for December was 5.5 per cent. higher in 1936 than in 1935. All districts shared in the advance.

Sales of food and perishables were 7.2 per cent. greater while those of other merchandise rose by 4.0 per cent.

For eleven months, February to December 1936, an increase of 6.2 per cent is shown in total sales as compared with the corresponding period of 1935.—British Wireless.

CHINA'S FOREIGN POLICY

Mr. Wang Ching-wei's Prediction

Nanking, To-day.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Chairman of the Central Political Council, told the correspondent of a London paper that China is likely to form a stronger foreign policy, as she is now able to take care of herself, unlike the situation fifteen years ago.

This statement was made after his return from conferences with General Chiang Kai-shek at Fenghua.

"Unification of the country and a clean sweep of internal obstacles are also necessary," Mr. Wang added.—Union News.

CABINET CRISIS IN BELGIUM

An Emergency Meeting

Brussels, To-day.

Rumours that a Parliamentary crisis suddenly broke out on Tuesday night appear to be substantiated by the calling of a special Cabinet meeting yesterday to discuss the latest developments in Spain.

Another item on the agenda of the Cabinet meeting is stated to be the anti-Government agitation carried on over the radio by M. Degrelle, the Rexist leader, from the Turin station.

Protests, it is learned, have already been made by Belgium to Italy, which states that the Turin station is not owned by the State and that the Government has no authority to interfere with its programmes.

It is reported that discussion of these problems has led to dissension in the Cabinet, especially among the Socialist Ministers, and the possibility is mooted of the resignation of the whole Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

VANDERVELDE RESIGNS

Brussels, To-day.

The Cabinet crisis, which may mean the end of the present coalition government of Roman Catholics, Socialists and Liberals, intensified yesterday with the resignation of the Minister for Public Health, M. E. Vandervelde.

M. Vandervelde, who is one of the veterans of the Socialist movement in Belgium, was authorised by the executive of the Belgian Labour Party to leave the Cabinet, following differences between him and other Ministers.

SPAIN DISPUTE

Differences between him and the Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, were especially acute over Spanish affairs, M. Vandervelde being opposed to the attitude adopted by Belgium in regard to the recent murder in Madrid of the Belgian diplomat, Baron de Borchgrave.

As yet none of the other Labour Ministers seem inclined to follow their leader's example and the life of the government is not yet actually menaced.—Reuter.

SOCIALIST SESSION

Brussels, To-day.

Political circles in the Belgium capital last night were discussing the possibility of the Van Zeeland Cabinet resigning if other Socialist Ministers did follow M. Vandervelde.

It is expected that the whole matter will be settled to-day, now that the General Council of the Belgian Socialist Party is in session.

At yesterday's meeting the Left Wing section of the Party urged the formation of a "Popular Front" in alliance with the Communists. The Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, who belongs to the Socialist Right Wing, is the main opponent to a Popular Front movement.—Trans-Ocean.

CRISIS NOW OVER

Brussels, Later.

The political crisis is now considered over following the decision of the General Council of the Belgian Socialist Party to continue the Party's support of the Van Zeeland Government on its present three-party basis.—Trans-Ocean.

HITCH IN LOAN NEGOTIATIONS

French Credits In London

London, To-day.

Although a hitch is reported to have occurred in negotiations that are being conducted here for a French loan of \$50,000,000, it is understood that representatives of the French Ministry of Finance are still negotiating with a group of big banks in London.

Their efforts are being backed by the British Government.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDON SUGAR CONFERENCE

Geneva, To-day.

An international conference under the auspices of the League of Nations will be convened in London next April in order to consider the possibility of an agreement in regard to the production and marketing of sugar.—Reuter.

CHINESE CULTURE IN EDUCATION

Vernacular Middle School Prizeday

PLEASING REPORT

The school's stress on an education based on Chinese culture was mentioned at the annual prize distribution at the Vernacular Middle School held this morning before a large gathering of parents and friends.

The Headmaster, Mr. Li King Hong, in his report said:

"Our school has entered upon the 10th year of its history from March 1, 1936. Though still a young institution when compared with the long established Government Schools, it has met with the enthusiastic support of the community by way of sending here their boys and of donating to us generous scholarships, furniture, as well as sets of valuable books. Some of the last mentioned came from as far as Shanghai.

Some boys who have completed their course at our Middle School Division have entered the Hong Kong University; and others who are less fortunate financially have either sought for a higher education in the leading universities in China or taken up Government posts locally and in their homeland as well as in various walks of life.

China Recognition

Teachers trained in our Normal Division have been holding responsible teaching posts under the Education Department, and a great number of them is doing successful work in private schools of the Colony, or in Government and private schools in Kwangtung. It is gratifying to note that in recent years our Normal certificate has been recognised by some universities in Canton and Peiping as an equivalent to a higher middle school certificate in China.

Of the 15 Normal boys who sat for their final examination conducted by Government Examiners in July, 12 passed and gained their teacher certificates. All our 4 boys in class Higher Middle III entered for the School Certificate Examination conducted by the University in June, and 3 passed, one winning three distinctions. It is here that we owe a word of thanks to King's College; for these 4 pupils shared the benefit of class 1 at King's for Mathematics and General Physics.

I take this opportunity of congratulating the Hon. Dr. E. H. Kotewall on his appointment as a member of the Executive Council in August. Dr. Kotewall, besides his general support of education in the Colony, has played an important role in the founding of our institution. On the other hand our sympathy goes with him in his recent bereavement.

Prizes Presented

After the reading of the report, Professor Hsu Ti Shan gave a short address in Chinese following which he presented prizes to the successful students including:—

School Leaving Examination Certificate:—Li Yin Kei, Wong Shu Chuen, and Kwan Sui Kim.

Normal Certificate:—Mak Chem Kwong, Yau Chung Kee, Mak Chi Bin, Tsui Wai Tong, Tsui Sai Tuen, Chow Yim Fong, Chan Kwai Fong, Chow Chau Sing, So Ping Yan, Sang Yiu Nam, Tang Yiu Sing, and Tse Wai Kuen.

Fung Ping Shan Scholarships:—Mok, Cheong Foon, Ko Kei Chung, Cheung Chung Leung, Li Yin Kei, Lau Fat Ip, and Wong Chi Kin.

BERLIN BOURSE


Berlin, To-day.

Buying orders for shares on the Berlin Stock Exchange yesterday were not much in evidence at the opening of the market but the general trend was steady.

The promulgation of a law on Tuesday regulating anew the character of joint stock companies, had no perceptible effect on business, as the full meaning of the measure had not been revealed.

Considerable attention was paid to an announcement that Mannesmann and Company had obtained permission to use the Bourse for increasing their share capital, this being taken as a sign that the prohibition of new issues will now be less severe.

The market later eased on reports that the utilization of foreign securities is to be still further restricted.—Trans-Ocean.



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A new Garter shall be created in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, for the Duke of Windsor, at the end of the other state for Royal dukes.

When it is ready a new set of arms will be suspended above it. It will show the Royal Arms "differenced" as the Heraldry says, to show that the holder is no longer any right of the monarch. The Duke of Windsor's arms were bestowed on him one by one. The Dominions and India orders came after state tours overseas. They were in fact bestowed on King George V. and a plaque necessary.

London, To-day.

A 24d. stamp issued on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of King George V. was bought yesterday at the record price of more than \$50.

The colour of the stamps was Prussian blue, in which some 24d. sets were printed by error. The incorrect stamps should not have come into issue but by a further mistake a few were sold to the public.—Trans-Ocean.

Want for services rendered. On that same the Duke will retain his knighthoods, and on occasions may wear the insignia. The only similar case which the Crown has had to settle is that of "Bonnie Prince Charlie" who was the Garter to the day of his death though there was no royal warrant in existence for him to be there after state tours overseas. There may be no new Warrant for the Duke of Windsor's Garter King George V. and a plaque necessary.

NEW YORK SHARE MARKET

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regard to rails continue and the railroad earnings currently reported serve to emphasise the need for a high degree of selectivity when making necessary purchases in this field. The situation with regard to utilities is unchanged.

The fact that there is no indication of any new development in the labour situation supports the

ing of purchases to recessions in the industrial section of the market. We would be still inclined to

concentrate on coppers and oils generally. While the market action is so far significant confirmation of our view that the recession will not be extreme, we nevertheless continue to see further irregularity and we would therefore repeat our previous advice that the flood has not yet reached its peak and that the market should be watched.

peak and that a near-term labour settlement is still improbable.

Business done:— 1,340,000 shares.

Wheat: The Canadian Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa states that the visible supply of Canadian wheat is 103,000,000 bushels against 247,000,000 bushels a year ago. Further large shipments from the Argentine are temporarily influencing sentiment. Flour sales here and abroad are still poor, but a good demand is accumulating. The spread in September wheat and corn has fluctuated from

9-1/4 to 10-1/2.
Total sales:—21 533 000 bushels

Cotton: The floods are aggravating the already-tight spot situation and forcing prices of old crops higher. The domestic mills have fair supplies, however, and profit-taking on further advance appears to be advisable. The new crop situation seems very uncertain. Acreage is large and the residue from possible early flood.

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WORD PUZZLE

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| island | 20- Preserves- food |
| in month | 22- Most courageous |
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| | 27- Egyptian god |
| | 28- Worn, down by friction |
| erial | 30- Indita |
| (oet.) | 31- Jeer |
| | 33- Spills |
| | 25- Finished |
| | 38- Elc French (abbr.) |
| | 40- Combining form. Air |
| | 42- Fled eggs |
| | 45- Bestowed |
| | 46- A device for climbing (pl.) |
| ITICAL | 43- American Protective Association (abbr.) |
| ed to | 51- Large lake |
| and measure | 53- The (Sp.) |
| | 35- A game-bird |
| | 67- River in S. E. France |

die and 61-A horse's gait
62-Assist

out (Print) 64-Serpent
65-The shattered side
66-Lair
67-Part of the foot
abbr.) 68-Bind
69-Mineral spring

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NEW TURN IN SAVACHIN MURDER

Died Of Stabbing Not Bullets

Paris, To-day.
Sensation has followed sensation in the mysterious murder of Dimitri Savachin, the Soviet economic expert, who met his death while walking in the Bois de Boulogne.

Following allegations that the murder was a political one, instigated by the Soviet, comes the revelation that Savachin was not shot, as was at first supposed, but died of dagger wounds.

The latest development followed the official autopsy carried out on the body.

Although no arrest has yet been made the police state that important clues are in their possession, and that they expect not only the early apprehension of the murderer but also of those who instigated the act.

TROTSKY FUND
The "ECHO de Paris" states that according to Russian circles in Paris, Navachin, many of whose dealings were open to suspicion, was administrator in France of the Trotsky propaganda fund.

The paper also asserts that he maintained close relations with several of the accused now on trial in Moscow for treason.

A short time ago the murdered man wrote an article for a leading French newspaper in which he criticised sharply the Soviet Five-Year Plan.

The paper expresses the opinion, which is current on the boulevards, that Navachin was murdered by a secret agent of the dreaded O.G.P.U., the Russian secret service.—Trans-Ocean.

AUSTRO-GERMAN ECONOMICS

Trade Agreements Reached

Vienna, To-day.
A series of agreements were reached here yesterday for the regulation of trade between Germany and Austria.

The new agreements, which come into force on February 1, cover retrogressively the period to January 1 this year, and are to be regarded as a codicil to the Trade Treaty signed on April 12, 1933.

It is expected that Austro-German trade will experience an increase of ten per cent. in volume as a result of the new accord.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH EMPIRE COLONISATION

Plea For Openings For Unemployed

London, To-day.
The urgent need for radical re-organisation of British colonising methods is stressed in the "Morning Post."

The paper suggests the advisability of enabling the English unemployed to migrate to Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

Attention is also called to the fact that England's population is decreasing as a result of the low birth-rate which, if it continues, will place England in a difficult position both from the economic and strategic viewpoint.—Trans-Ocean.

DOCKER STRIKE SETTLED

Increased Wages In Belgium

Brussels, To-day.
Labour troubles in Belgium were alleviated yesterday with the settlement of the dockyard dispute, when a agreement was reached between the Trade Unions and the port authorities.

Increases in wages, in proportion to the higher price index, have been granted, and most of the strikers have already returned to work.—Trans-Ocean.

TURCO-FRENCH AGREEMENT AT GENEVA

MAIN DETAILS OF UNDERSTANDING

DANZIG ACCORD

London, To-day.
All outstanding questions on the agenda of the Council of the League of Nations, with the exception of those affecting Spain, were settled to-day before the public session adjourned.

The most important problems had reference to the future of Alexandretta and the relations between Danzig and the League of Nations.

Agreement was reached between France and Turkey and it provides that Sanjak shall constitute a separate entity and enjoy full independence in internal affairs, the Syrian Republic being responsible for the conduct of Alexandretta's foreign affairs. Turkish will be the official language and the League Council will determine the character and conditions of the use of a second language.

It is provided that Sanjak shall be demilitarised and a Franco-Turkish Treaty guaranteeing the territorial integrity of Sanjak is to be drawn up.

In regard to Danzig, Mr. Eden's report was adopted by the Council. Dr. Greiser, President of the Danzig Senate, in accepting the report, said that good collaboration between Danzig and Poland constituted a further contribution to European peace. He undertook to co-operate loyally with the new League Commissioner, in which position Admiral de Graaf, of Holland, has been invited to succeed Mr. Sean Lester.

The Council's Committee of Three was asked to continue to watch the situation in Danzig.—British Wireless.

RADEK PREDICTS WAR IS CERTAINTY

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livered Russian mobilisation plans to a Japanese agent, who threatened to expose his Trotskyist activities.

Kyzareff added that the Japanese agent insisted that troop trains should be filled with deadly bacteria in time of war and that food trains should be burned.

MOTHER'S APPEAL

Meanwhile Karl Radek's mother has handed to the Soviet Embassy at Warsaw a petition making a moving appeal for clemency on behalf of her son, says Trans-Ocean.

The Embassy, however, refused to forward the petition to Moscow.

RAILWAY CONSPIRACY

Further details of the vast conspiracy of railway sabotage are given in Trans-Ocean messages from Moscow.

The former Deputy Commissar of Railways, M. Lipsitz, confessed at the trial yesterday to having committed methodical sabotage by derailing trains and damaging tracks.

The Vice-President of the Ural Railways, M. Kenjaseff, also admitted to having organised fifteen train wrecks, leading to some loss of life, and declared that the Trotskyist group was responsible for the enormous number of "railway accidents."

Documentary evidence, substantiating Kenjaseff's testimony, was then submitted to the Court by the Public Prosecutor.

WARSAW RAIDS

Thirty-Eight "Keds" Arrested

Warsaw, To-day.
Thirty-eight Communists were arrested by the police when raids were carried out on several houses in Warsaw last night.

Among those arrested were three leaders of the movement, who are reported to have been in possession of false passports.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES FUSILIERS HELD BY SEAFORTHS

WING HING BANK AFFAIRS

Application By Large Depositors

Before the Chief Justice this morning at the Supreme Court, Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, junior, instructed by Mr. E. H. Loseby, appeared on behalf of Lam Li-shi and Chan Chiu-chi, seeking an order that the respondents, Ngai Sz-yam, trustee of the estate of the Wing Hing Bank, and Li Wing-kwong, and Li Shun-fan, both partners thereof, pay the applicants such sum or sums of money as may have been deposited in respect of proofs lodged by Li Yuk-tong for \$32,035.47 on July 18, 1926, by Li Yuk-tong for \$121,500 on January 5, 1929, by Li Kam-tong, Li Shui-tong and Li Yuk-tong for \$27,880 on January 5, 1929.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. A. Watson, appeared on behalf of the respondents.

Giving judgment, the Chief Justice said that the applicants, admittedly assignees, cannot claim dividends from the assignors. The proofs are to be treated as new ones and the Trustee is at liberty to adopt any attitude towards them.

The respondents were awarded costs.

APPEAL TO GERMAN LEADERS

Restoration Of Good Relations

"There is a whole-hearted desire in Great Britain to remove any grievance under which the Reich claims to be suffering," declared Lord Allen of Hurtwood, Labour peer, speaking at Luton on the question of Anglo-German relations.

"There is a sense of profound regret that this hasn't been done before," he continued, "and also a genuine wish to see the Reich back at the conference table as an equal member of the European family."

"But it will be hard to prevent this good-will from evaporating if the German policy insists upon its crusade to divide Europe into warring camps of political religions accompanied by acts of external aggression."

"The British public has long been anxious to bring to an end the inequalities so unhappily imposed by the Treaty of Versailles and to call a halt to the revolutionary propaganda across the frontiers, and it is earnestly hoped that the German policy will assist in this effort to restore good-will."

NEGUS SELLS HIS "SAVINGS"

Silver Fetches £2,500 In London

Many Hundredweights of silver, brought to England by the Emperor of Abyssinia when he left his country, was sold in 2 hrs. 15 mins. For £2,527—at Puttick and Simpson's, Leicester Square.

There was no spectacular bidding, as silver is sold by the ounce, and sentiment counts for little; but the ordinary price was exceeded in every case.

The royal loving cup, engraved with the crown, went for 12s. an ounce—about £10 in all. A prize cup embellished with the Lion of Judah fetched 10s. an ounce—£18. When a French porringer was being sold, the hammer fell at "eight shillings." Then the "buyer" learned that this was the ounce price, not the total price. The lot was brought back, and fetched 5s. 6d. an ounce.

Plates mounted with gold and silver coins brought in £507 10s. It was the number of gold coins which determined the value.

Seven fresh cases of diphtheria were reported to the Health Officer yesterday.

Mr. A. J. C. Taylor, of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, and Mrs. Taylor, are leaving for Home early next month.

The lively and amusing first broadcast of the Aerial Amateurs over Z.B.W. last night was a splendid start for this new group. They gave a new type, locally, of radio entertainment, which should prove highly acceptable if future broadcasts maintain the same high standard.

Mr. N. G. Henry will lead the discussion group at the Y.M.C.A. on Sunday evening, the subject being "My Ideal Church."

Local estate, valued at \$58,400, was left by Chan Yuk-wai, late of San Kai Village, Tsang Shing District, who died on September 10, last.

An amah Chan Kam, who is alleged to have attempted to commit suicide by taking a quantity of red lead, was admitted to the G.C.H. yesterday.

Cheong King was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of lymol poisoning. He was staying at the Wong Koon Boarding House.

TURCO-ITALIAN TALKS

Rome, To-day.
The forthcoming meeting between the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, and the Turkish Foreign Minister, Ruzhdi Aras, is attracting considerable attention in the Italian capital.

Stress is laid on the fact that the meeting will by no means be in the nature of a conference but more in the nature of an exchange of views.—Trans-Ocean.

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Coakley, however, was really outstanding and was very unlucky in several attempts to score in the second half, although his opening goal was a really outstanding one.

The Fusilier attack were not lacking in speed and made use of nearly all the openings available, but their last-minute touches were not good enough.

Coakley opened the scoring with a fine solo effort in the second half after a goalless opening period, but soon afterwards a long overhead pass by Cook saw Ayres dart in from the wing and head past the unsuspecting Rowlands, who was concentrating on Miller.

Seaforths—Thomson; Webster and Steele; Williamson, McKusker and Cook; Ayres, Donachie, Miller, McGuigan and Nuttney.

Fusiliers—Rowlands; Wheeler and Gaitley; Evans, Wanklyn and Taylor; Farry, Coakley, Sullivan, Talbot and Roberts.

Tables To Date FIRST DIVISION

| | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Pts. |
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| Rifles | 15 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 43 | 14 | 24 |
| Fusiliers | 15 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 36 | 18 | 22 |
| S. China 'B' | 15 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 18 | 20 |
| S. China 'A' | 14 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 31 | 14 | 18 |
| St. Joseph's | 13 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 22 | 18 | 14 |
| Seaforths | 12 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 21 | 21 | 14 |
| Eastern | 12 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 19 | 20 | 13 |
| K. Chinese | 15 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 20 | 32 | 12 |
| Athletic | 15 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 18 | 29 | 12 |
| Kowloon | 16 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 17 | 32 | 12 |
| Navy | 10 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 21 | 17 | 11 |
| Club | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 27 | 23 | 10 |
| Recreation | 12 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 16 | 32 | 10 |
| Police | 15 | 0 | 11 | 4 | 11 | 41 | 4 |
| Totals | 196 | 78 | 78 | 40 | 333 | 333 | 196 |



NAVY SOCCER ELEVENS

Meet S. China Teams Next Saturday

The following have been selected to represent the Navy in the First and Second Divisions of the local soccer League this Saturday against South China "B" and South China, respectively, kicking off at Caroline Hill at 2.30 p.m. and at 4 p.m.—

First XI: Ritchie; Ldg. Stn. Carter and Wolvenson; Lindsay, Nicholls and Gardener; Phillips, Haydon, Brown, Anderson and Wormold.

Second XI: Church; L. W. Carter and Tozer; Thoburn, Jones and Tunnell; Le Page, Wride, Finnie, Spencer and Brewer.



SECOND DIVISION

| | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Pts. |
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| Navy | 15 | 14 | 0 | 1 | 73 | 19 | 29 |
| Fusiliers | 17 | 11 | 2 | 4 | 57 | 15 | 26 |
| S. China | 17 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 42 | 23 | 24 |
| Seaforths | 15 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 43 | 25 | 21 |
| Rifles | 14 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 35 | 22 | 19 |
| Engineers | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 33 | 19 | 16 |
| R.A. (L'mun) | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 31 | 24 | 15 |
| C. Police | 14 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 29 | 34 | 13 |
| Athletic | 15 | 6 | 8 | 1 | 22 | 33 | 13 |
| Kowloon | 15 | 4 | 10 | 1 | 25 | 37 | 9 |
| Club | 15 | 3 | 10 | 2 | 19 | 49 | 8 |
| K. Chinese | 14 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 22 | 52 | 6 |
| R.A. (Sters) | 16 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 22 | 54 | 6 |
| Eastern | 14 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 32 | 65 | 5 |
| Totals | 210 | 91 | 91 | 23 | 566 | 566 | 210 |

TROTSKY'S SON ARRESTED

Personal Vengeance, Says Trotsky

Mexico City, To-day.
"An act of personal vengeance, was how Leon Trotsky, the exiled Bolshevik leader, described the reported arrest of his second son, Sergei, in Russia on a charge of attempting to poison workers in the Krasnoyarsk plants."

Trotsky said that the victim would probably suffer unbearable tortures and added: "This is an act in keeping with Stalin's character. He is already responsible for the deaths of my two daughters."

In a statement to the press Trotsky described the confessions during the Moscow trial as malicious fabrications divorced from the time and space.—Reuter.

FACTORY RESOLUTION

Moscow, To-day.
Although no official announcement has been made regarding the arrest of Trotsky's son, a resolution passed yesterday by workers in the Krasnoyarsk factory, where Sergei worked as an engineer, is regarded as substantial confirmation.

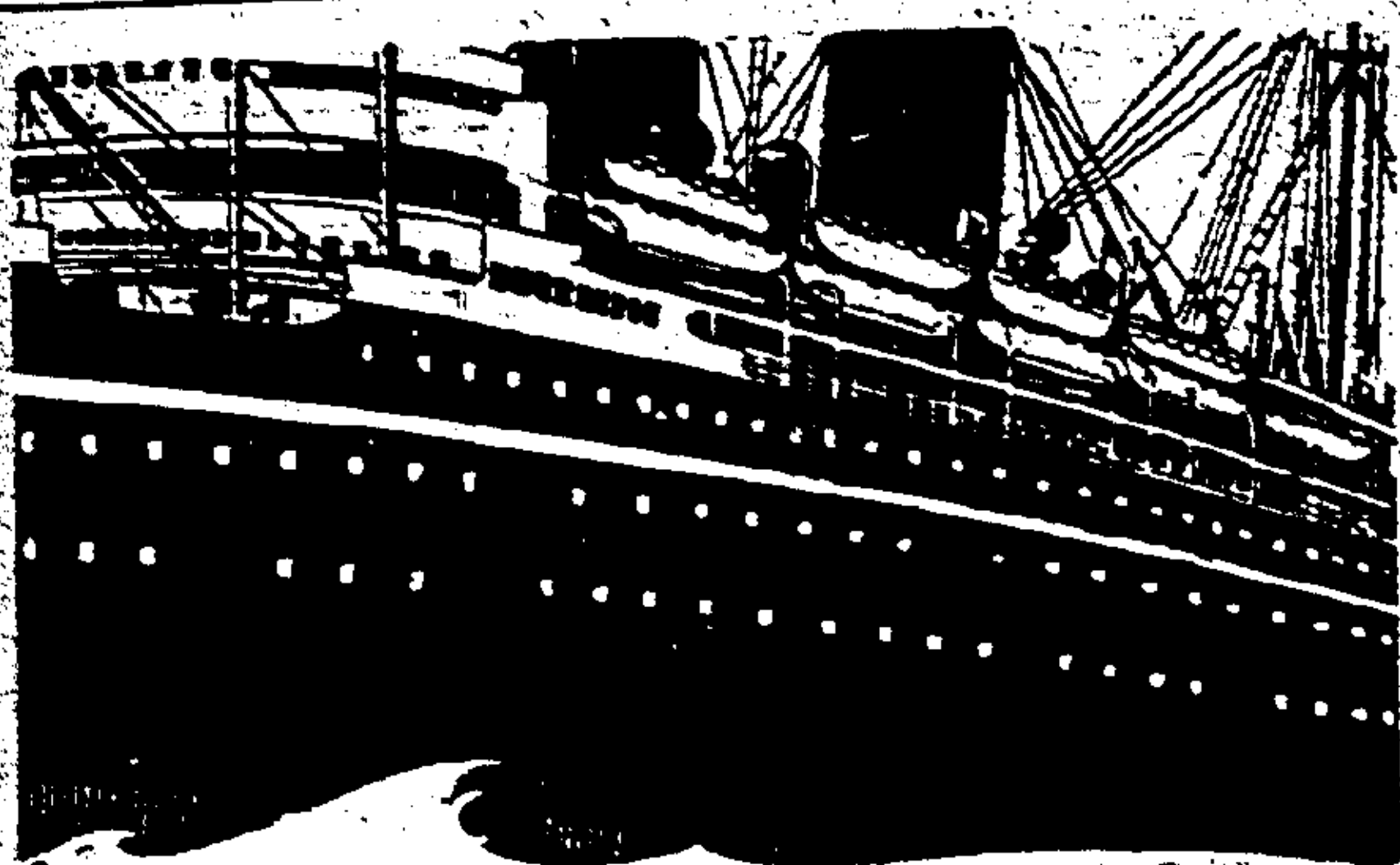
The resolution says: "A worthy offspring of a father who became a Fascist hireling, Sergei Trotsky, endeavours to kill the last group of workers with poisonous gases. We request the Supreme Court to destroy all these Trotsky vipers."—Reuter.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" is due here at 9 a.m. to-morrow and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She is due to sail for Manila at 8 p.m.



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| RAWALPINDI | 12,000 | 6th Feb. | Marseilles & London. | |
| *MIRZAPUR | 7,000 | 10th Feb. | Bombay and Karachi. | |
| CORFU | 14,500 | 20th Feb. | Marseilles & London. | |
| *BHUTAN | 6,000 | 27th Feb. | Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Hull. | |
| NALDERA | 16,000 | 6th Mar. | Bombay, Marseilles & London. | |
| *BEHAR | 6,000 | 13th Mar. | Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Hull. | |
| CARTHAGE | 14,500 | 17th Apr. | Marseilles & London. | |
| *SOUDAN | 7,000 | 27th Mar. | Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Hull. | |

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| SIRDHANA | 8,000 | 30th Jan. | Singapore, Port Swettenham. |
| SHIRALA | 8,000 | 13th Feb. | Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta. |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 27th Feb. | |
| SANTHIA | 8,000 | 13th Mar. | |
| TALMA | 10,000 | 27th Mar. | |



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| NANKIN | 7,000 | 3rd Apr. | |

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

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| *BEHAR | 6,000 | 1st Feb. | Shanghai & Japan |
| TANDA | 7,000 | 3rd Feb. | Shanghai & Japan. |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 4th Feb. | Amoy, Shanghai & Japan. |
| CARTHAGE | 14,500 | 5th Feb. | Shanghai & Japan. |
| SANTHIA | 8,000 | 12th Feb. | Amoy, Shanghai & Japan. |
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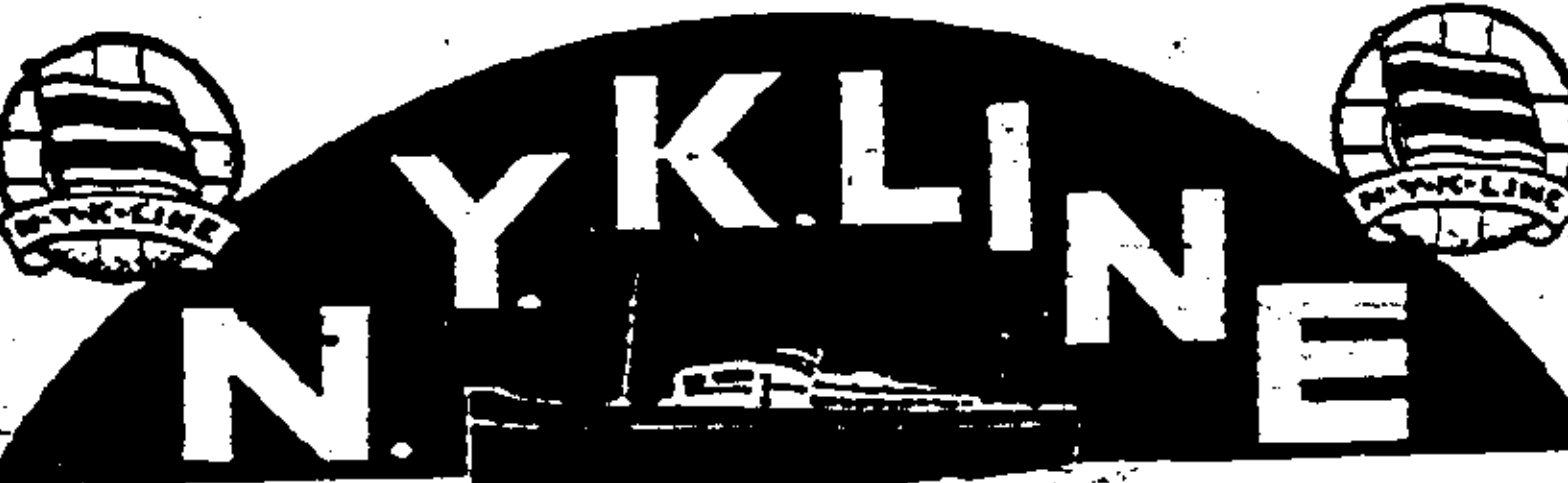
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FOR JAPAN

Katori Maru Jan. 30
3.30 p.m.
Feb. 3

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5 p.m.

Kunming 3
5 p.m.

FOR U.S.A.

Emp. of Russia Jan. 30
3 p.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Katori Maru Jan. 30
3.30 p.m.
Feb. 3

Chichibu Maru 3
5 p.m.

FOR MANILA

Potsdam Jan. 28
4.30 p.m.
Emp. of Japan 29
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Nellore 30
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Emp. of Russia 30
2 p.m.

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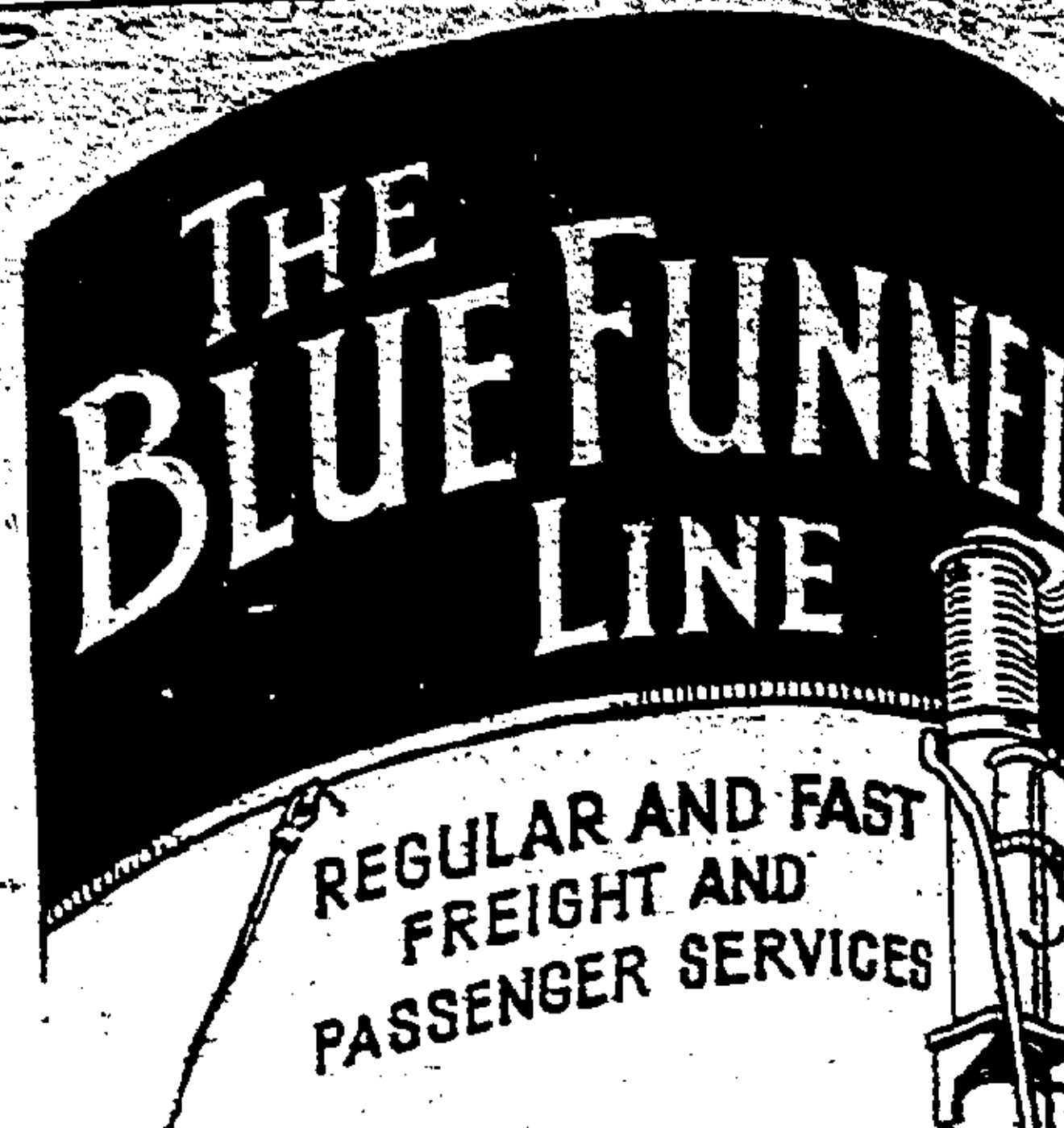
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JAPANESE GUNBOAT FROM CANTON

H.I.J.M.S. Saga will visit Hong Kong to-day and will stay until Monday. Last week she met the Japanese warship Isumo which passed through Hong Kong territorial waters with Vice-Admiral Kiyoshi Hasegawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Third Fleet, aboard.

The Admiral transferred just outside Castle Peak to the Saga to visit Canton which cannot be reached by the Isumo, and the Saga will bring him back to his flag-ship to-day.

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 29th January, 1937, to FRIDAY, the 5th February, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd January, 1937.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

JOHN LONDONER AT HOME.
CHILDREN'S CONCERT.

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30—Wilhelm Backhaus (piano) and Elisabeth Schumann (soprano).

1.30—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.30—The Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

1.30—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40—Military Band Selections with songs by Derek Oldham (tenor).

2.15—Close Down.

6-8 p.m.—European Programme.

5 p.m.—A Relay of Victor Music from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

6—From the Studio.

A Children's Concert.

6.30—An Operatic Programme.

Orchestral—
"Die Meistersinger" (Wagner)—
Overture.

The BBC Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Adrian Boult.

Soprano Solo—
"Tristan and Isolde" Act 3.
(Wagner)—Isolde's Love Song.
Nanny Larsen-Todsen.

Duet—
"Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo)—Why have you taught me?
Rosetta Pampanini and Gino Vanelli.

Contralto Solo—
"Le Prophete" Act 2. (Meyerbeer)—
Ah, my son!
"Orfeo ed Euridice" Act 3. (Gluck)—
I have lost my Eurydice.
Sigrid Onegin.

7—The Berlin State Opera Orchestra with W. H. Squire (Cello).
Cello Solo—
Abendlied (Evensong), (Schumann, arr. W. W. Squire).

Orchestral—
Polarsolo No. 2 (Liszt, arr. Muller—
Berghaus).

Cello Solo—
Les Cloches (Claude Debussy).

Orchestral—
Torch Dance No. 1 in B Flat Major (Meyerbeer).

Cello Solo—
Gavotte (Mehul).

Orchestral—
"Hansel and Gretel" (Humperdinck)—Witches' Ride, Ginger Bread Waltz.

7.30—Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.30—London—"John Londoner at Home." No. 4—An evening with some of his many and various acquaintances. Presented by Pascoe Thornton.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05—From the Studio.

A Chinese Concert.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m.—European Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05 p.m.—The 1st Movement from Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 18 (Bachmann), played by Sergei Rachmaninoff (Pianoforte) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

Allegro Moderato

8.18—Four Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

1. Somewhere a voice is calling (Eileen Newton and Arthur Tate).

2. I know of two bright eyes (G. H. Clutsam).

3. Good night, Oh! my love! (Van Seyffart—Franz Abt).

4. Thine my thoughts are, Margarita (Erik Meyer-Helmund).

8.30—A Light Orchestral Programme.

Mennett (Beethoven).

Der Kasper (De Groot).

"The Waltz Dream" Selection (O. Strauss).

None but the weary heart (Tschakovsky, arr. Knicker).

Chanson Bohemienne (Baldi).

(a) Rondel.

(b) Mina (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood).

The Merry Middles (B. Brooke).

Xylophone Duet by W. W. Bennett and Ernst Slaney.

8.55—London—News and Announcements.

9.15—Military Band Music.

"The Mill on the Rock"—Overture (Boisjanger, arr. Winterbottom).

March Lorraine (Ganne).

"The Caliph of Bagdad" (Beethoven).

9.35—Musical Comedy Gems.

"New Moon"—Vocal Gems.

"The Cat and the Fiddle"—Vocal Gems.

"Anything Goes"—Selection.

"White Horse Inn"—Selection.

"Glamorous Night"—Selection.

"Careless Rapture"—Music in May (Dorothy Dickson (Soprano)).

10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.

London—Tom Jenkins at the Organ of the Plaza Cinema, Swansea.

Savoy Medley of Madleys (arr. Somers) Tarantella (Rimmer).

Because (Guy d'Hardelot), Who loves you? (Davis and Coots), Overture—"William Tell" (Rossini).

10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

In Appreciation

Some of the most valuable contributions to the science of card play have come from men who neither expected nor resented reward or recognition for their pains. Like other explorers they must find their reward in the joy of discovery.

Among the most prolific contributors is J. C. Stablein of Seattle, Wash., who seems to possess a special genius in the field of safety plays. He apparently delights in pointing out [always accurately] that the technique used by generations of bridge players on certain type hands is faulty, always, of course, charting the proper line of play.

To-day's hand is an illustration of Mr. Stablein's skill at analysis.

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S. 8

H. 9 7 5 4 3

D. A 5

C. A 9 5 3 2

WEST

S. Q 5 3

H. K J 8

D. K 6 4

C. K Q J 4

EAST

S. 6 2

H. 6 2

D. J 10 9 7 3

C. 10 8 7 6

SOUTH

S. A K J 10 9 7 4

H. A Q 10

D. Q 8 2

C. None

The bidding:

North East South West

Pass Pass 4 S Double

Redouble Pass Pass Pass

After North's initial pass South felt there was little chance for a slam and, therefore, decided to contract directly for game. West's double was, of course, of the gambling variety, but not bad. He hardly could tell that South's bid was as sound as it was, or

that North would turn up with two aces. Now, I quote Mr. Stablein's terse analysis.

"After taking the ace of clubs on the opening lead it may appear that there are several methods of play that might be essayed. However, a heart should be discarded on the ace of clubs and the ace and a small diamond led. If the king is with East the queen becomes established; if with West, the latter can make no return which will not permit a diamond ruff unless he leads into South's trump tenace or heart tenace."

This statement is, perhaps, not full enough for average players, so I shall elaborate on it.

On the opening lead of the king of clubs South first must decide what to discard if he takes the ace.

As is pointed out above, the correct discard is the ten of hearts, not a diamond. The only card that East can have which will give him entry for the lead of a trump through the declarer to take out dummy's singleton trump is the diamond king; but if he holds that card the declarer will not need to ruff a diamond, inasmuch as his queen will become a third round trick.

On the other hand if West, as is more likely, holds the diamond king he will be unable to return a spade except at the cost of a trick unless he holds at least three guards to the queen. In the latter event it should be noted that dummy's eight of trumps will become an entry for the heart finesse.

Of course, if a certain lay of cards is found, namely, four spades to the queen in West's hand, as well as the king of diamonds and the king of hearts, no plan whatever will avail, but that does not alter the fact that the technique suggested is the safest possible.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Please state the correct bidding on the following hands. Opponents made no bid.

SOUTH NORTH

S. A K Q 6 S. 4 3

H. Q 9 8 4 H. A J 5 3

D. 5 2 D. Q J 10 9 7 4

C. A 7 4 C. 10

Answer:

SOUTH NORTH

1 spade 2 diamonds

2 hearts 3 hearts

3 no trumps 4 hearts

You will note that I have recommended the bid of a shaded suit when I give two hearts as the only logical second bid by South.

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CHURCHILL AGAIN CRIES HAVOC ON ARMAMENTS DEMANDS RAPID SPEED-UP IN AIR PROGRAMME

A slashing attack on the Government's air defence programme was made in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Winston Churchill,

Mr. Churchill (says Reuter) once again drew attention to the progress of German rearmament and emphasised her superiority over Great Britain in the air.

He understood that the British programme aimed at 124 complete squadrons by March 31 this year. Deducting 22 incomplete squadrons from the hundred squadrons which the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, Sir Thomas Inskip, said would be completed by that time, we would, he said, have only 78 complete squadrons.

We would not have parity with Germany in 1937 and he doubted whether we would have it by 1938.

The Germans were believed to possess at least 150 squadrons each of twelve machines. If the commercial planes of the Luftwaffe were added, they would have 2,000 machines.

DESPERATE FIGHTING IN SPAIN RENEWED

Rumour Of Riots
In Malaga

Salamanca, To-day.

Unusually severe fighting is going on in the Aranjuez sector, where the Loyalists are making an attempt to regain control of the important railway and highroad leading from Madrid to the south.

The village of Cienfuegos was entered by rebel cavalry detachments yesterday after it had been abandoned by the Government forces.

From Malaga come reports of disorder in the besieged city, where numbers of rebel prisoners are reported to have been shot. Hygienic conditions are becoming worse owing to lack of any medical service, one message stating that small-pox has broken out.—Trans-Ocean.

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS CAST OUT BY LABOUR PARTY

London, To-day.

The Labour Party executive, by an overwhelming majority, to-day decided to disaffiliate the Socialist League, of which Sir Stafford Cripps, the Labour Member for Bristol East, is chairman and moving spirit.

The action follows a series of official Labour disapprovals of public utterances made by Sir Stafford.—Reuter.

LABOUR RESOLUTION

A meeting of the Labour Party executive this afternoon decided to disaffiliate the Socialist League, of which Sir Stafford Cripps is the Chairman.

The League, at a recent special delegate conference, decided to support a United Front campaign with the Communist Party and the Independent Labour Party.

The disaffiliation resolution expresses regret that the Socialist League had taken action which its National Council must have known would be contrary to the cause of unity in the ranks of Labour and would render the League ineligible for continued affiliation to the Labour Party. It is stated that the membership of the League is about 3,000.—British Wireless.

OIL PROSPECTING IN EGYPT

Cairo, To-day.

The Egyptian Cabinet yesterday sanctioned an agreement with the Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields Company granting the latter search and exploitation rights for a period of three years.—Trans-Ocean.

A motion introduced by a Conservative member alleging the inadequacy of the air defence programme then drew a reply from Sir Thomas Inskip, who outlined the progress of the Government's measures.

Sir Thomas said that 87 squadrons of the new programme had been formed, of which thirteen were still on a one-flight basis. He explained that the new squadrons were being formed by "hiving off" a flight and gradually adding men and aircraft.

HUNDRED SQUADRONS

He anticipated that 100 squadrons would be formed by the end of March, of which 22 would be on a one-flight basis.

If expectations were fulfilled the remaining 24, or anyway, twenty squadrons would be formed by July. The graph line was slowly rising and the line of ascent would become steeper as the months passed.

Reasons for the delay included the necessity of policing the Mediterranean, and the Government did not intend using foreign machines owing to the delay in obtaining them and possible difficulties over their equipment in war-time.

FOREIGN TOOLS

Foreign machine-tools were being used to a considerable extent but the Minister hoped that deliveries would be completed from British factories by the end of the year.

The "shadow" factories would begin production in the autumn, while engine production would begin in January, 1938.

The anti-aircraft defence was the best that could be devised and the Government believed it would prevent attacks from ever reaching their objectives.

MINISTER'S COURAGE

Sir Thomas concluded by paying a tribute to the resourcefulness and undaunted courage of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in carrying out the policy of the Government in the face of overwhelming difficulties.

He repeated Mr. Eden's declaration that political appeasement and economic co-operation would alone bring lasting peace, and said that the Government hoped a general settlement would soon come.

Meanwhile, the Government would continue to arm in defence of the country with all the resources of this undefeated country. (Ministerial cheers).

SUEZ CANAL

Official Figures For
Last Year

Cairo, To-day.

Ships passing through the Suez Canal last year totalled 5,877, compared with 5,992 the previous year and 5,803 in 1934.

Ships fees paid in 1934 amounted to 241,560,000 francs, com-



Mr. CHURCHILL.

NEW MEMBER OF COUNCIL

MR. LEO D'ALMADA
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TRIBUTES BY BAR AND BENCH

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor and Mr. H. G. Sheldon congratulated Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, junior, this morning at the Supreme Court, on his recent appointment to the Legislative Council.

Mr. Sheldon said, "On behalf of the Bar of this Colony, I wish to congratulate Mr. D'Almada on his recent appointment to the Legislative Council. We are proud of him at the Bar, and we hope he will be successful in his new duties. From his public work, which he has already, unobtrusively performed, his appointment will, undoubtedly, form a wise choice."

The Chief Justice: "I think it is extremely generous of Mr. Sheldon to give me this opportunity to say something about Mr. D'Almada's appointment, and, if I may, I should enlarge the scope of what you have said Mr. Sheldon, because Mr. D'Almada may rest assure that, not only does he carry with him the good wishes of the Bar, but I know that he also carries the good wishes of the other branches of the profession and the Bench. I have only one more thing to say and that is in regard to what you Mr. Sheldon have said that you hope Mr. D'Almada will be a success in public affairs. I will go a great deal further than that. We all are confident that he will be successful and it will do him no harm to know that in his new duties he carries with him the good wishes of everyone."

Mr. D'Almada replied by stating that he was completely taken by surprise. He hoped that he would be a worthy successor to Mr. Braga.

WELL RIGHTS IN ABYSSINIA

Anglo-Italian Parley
Reaches Accord

Rome, To-day.

As a consequence of the Italian conquest of Ethiopia, an agreement has been reached between Italy and Great Britain for regulating the rights of access of some of the Somali tribes to various wells in Abyssinia along the frontier of British Somaliland.

The new agreement, which was signed in Rome yesterday by the Vice-Governor of British Somaliland and a high official of the East African Colonial Office, on one side, and two members of the Italian Government on the other, also regulates the question of traffic from Ethiopia to the ports of Berbera and Zailba, in British Somaliland.—Trans-Ocean.

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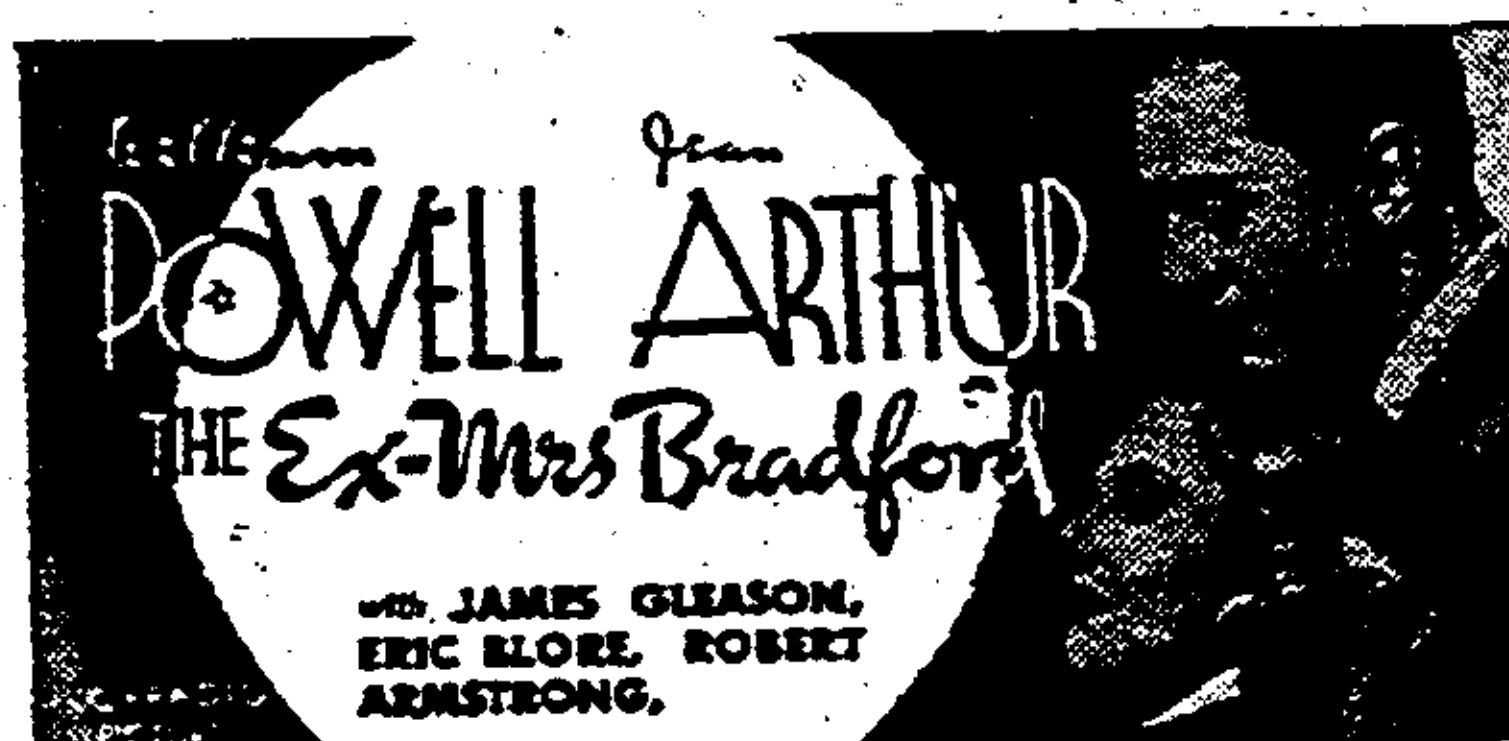
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